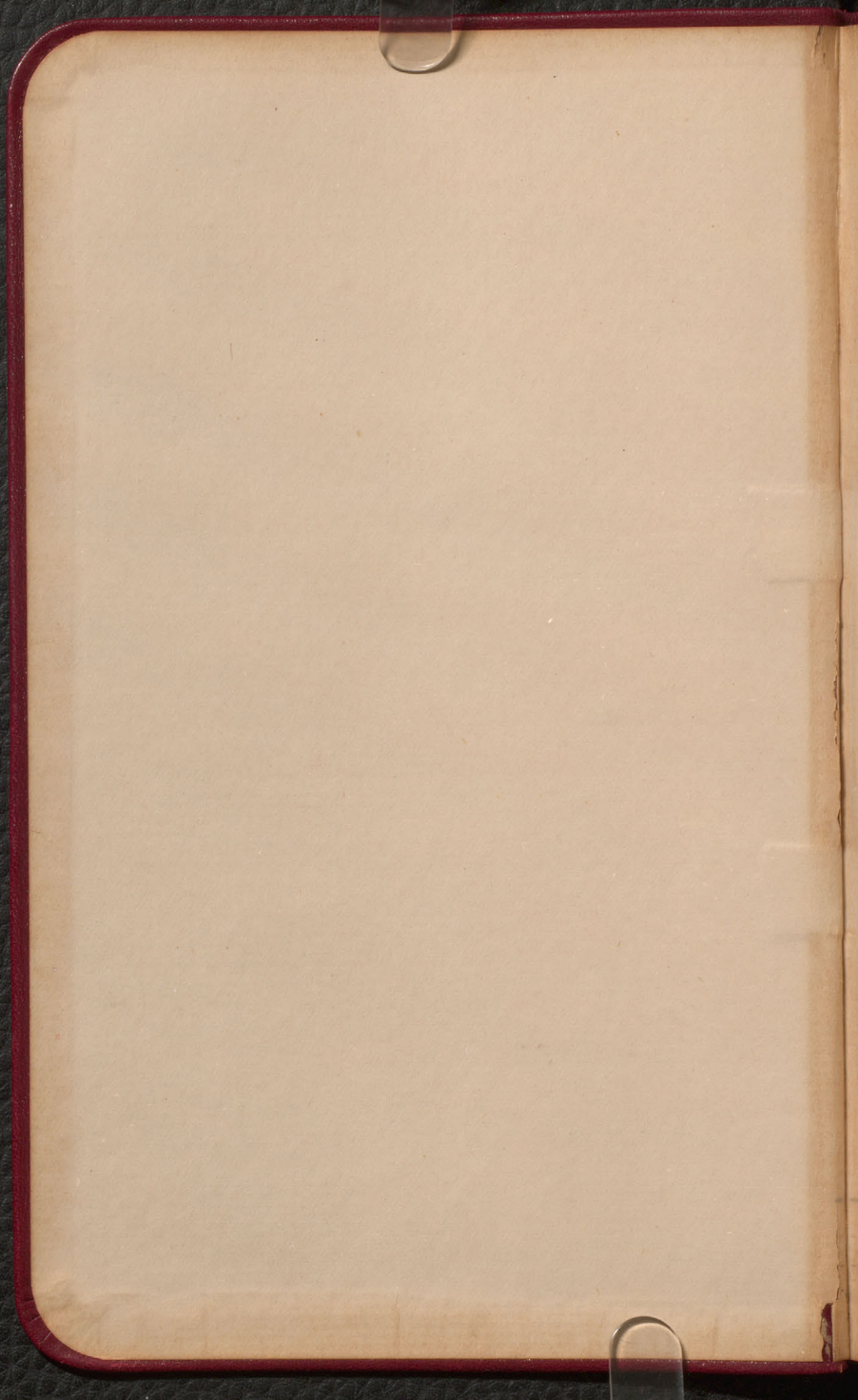
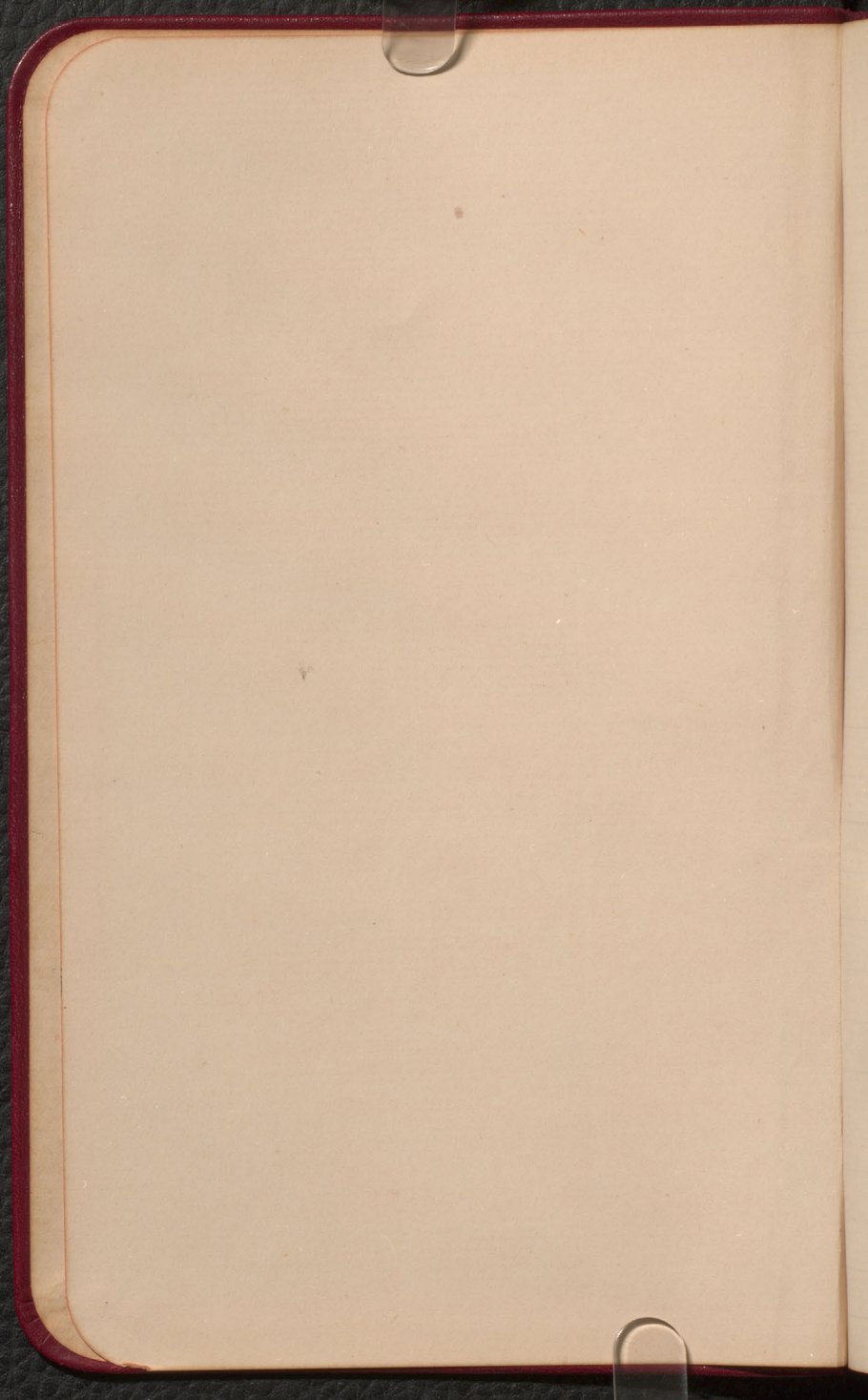


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George M. Dawson

Private Diary

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Met W. F. Robertson at the
Station this evg. He being on train
he went to H.C. where he has been
appointed Provincial Microscopist on
my recommendation.

May 28. 98. Saturday. Busy
all day in office. Left at 6 Am
for Montreal. Reach Dolbeau
Station there & after short wait get
off by 11 Am train towards
Quebec, with Sir Henry Joly.

May 29. Arrive at Grandin
Station about 4 am, meeting
George Sir Joly there. Set out about
immediately for St Cassin &
reach that place after 4 miles over
very rough roads. Breakfast &
then drive on to site of land slide
on the Riviere Blanche in the
parish of St. Tharite. Spent
some time examining & photographing
the slide & interviewing the
numerous inhabitants who were
only ^{too} ready to explain everything
all at once. About 200 acres of
farmy land has collapsed &
flowed through a narrow gap
into the river valley down which it
then continued to flow in a

stream of liquid clay with
floating blocks, for about three
miles, covering all the hay meadows
along valley for that distance. Several
houses wrecked, many cattle & horses
killed & one child, next visited
puddeas of new church. Sir Henry
received a memorial from his
constituents re the slide & addressed
them. Visited the Cure & dined
with him. Back to St Corneille
& to Grandview Station. Got the
train west at 3 P.M. Reached
St. Martin Junction & after about
three hours of a wait, got that
for Ottawa, arriving 1 A.M.
To City of Station, but got
up in an Electric Car, at
Home for a short time in the Eng.,
staying at G.S. estimates night
~~come up~~

May 30. At office all day &
to Home for a short time in the
Eng. in case G.S. Estimates

might come off. Brock left
tonight for W. Kootenai.

May 31. Called at Minister's office,
but succeeded in getting out of a
verbal interview with him, as
he had to go to Public Works Committee,
wished to explain situation to him
in regard to Croplands he receives
about members of the Staff dealing
in various places with farmers
politically hostile to administration.
Were trouble & worry than enough
about these petty Croplands.

June 1. Eventually succeeded in
finding Minister tonight at the
House. Gave him list of requirements
of parties in the way of Supplies, wear
etc in different parts of Down, as
far as possible & asked his instructions
in order to avoid political complaints.
All this sort of thing is quite new
in our service & very disgusting!
Ed. Minister's verbal comment to Bell's
Report that he may attach his report
to his party - also same for Dr. Ellis in case of his

Spoke also of Auditor's action in withholding assent to payment of James Keeler & Denis. also of delay of Treasury Board in finding in Cases of Selwyn & Wait. Whole interview lasted about 5 minutes.

June 3. Called at Minister's office to show him Auditor-General's letter about stoppage of payment to Keeler & Denis. Did not find him, but ran across him afterwards at Club. Showed him the letter. He admits submitting question at once to Treasury Board. wrote letter

June 4. sent letter ^{submitting in Eng.} & copies of correspondence to Treasury Board.

June 5, Sunday. out for a drive with Nellie this P.M. & at office. Back to office for a short time in the eve.

June 6. Called at Minister's office but could not catch him this am. Bell called in in eve. to explain what he had meant by professional assent. which I had disallowed in his estimate. It now turns out that he had proposed to employ Prof. Spencer for part of the summer.

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June 8. Start interview with Minister
about Daily work & application of
Robert etc in room 16 4th C.
at 7 P.M. W. to dine with me at
the Club in the eve.

June 11. In wetbed.

June 12. Sunday. In wetbed.

June 13. Return to Ottawa. House
proposed this P.M.

June 14. W. to lunch with me today. Family
is leaving on Friday for wetbed, he
coming down with them & then on.

June 16. Called on Hon. Mr. Scott, but
missed him. Pope told me, however, that
what he wanted was to refer the question
of places where vice-consuls should be
stationed in Alaska, in reply to a
dispatch. Called on Mr. J about
questions pending before Treasury board,
which should now be settled. Also to
ask whether he had any special work
to which he should like Dowling to be
assigned. No. Suggest inspection on
staff left unfinished by Dr Bell M. of
Georgian Bay.

Articles leave for U.S. this morn.

June 17. Called on Queen's Printer
abt. progress of work etc.

June 19. Sunday. Spent most of Rem.
writing up afternoon etc for Sturges
wop.

June 22. Called on G. W. F. King, has
long been advised by Minister to
see me about news. I have prepared an
Boundary Claims to be presented at
International Conference fully etc
held at Quebec. Telegram to say that Foster
I wrote had received letter etc.

June 23. Called on Minister this am.
about temporary employees renewal.
Mentioned Sunday work & had a
brief discussion on the subject. Mentioned
Wales' proposition for a Cartographic Board
etc. Call from Deville on same subject.
Message from Courtney & on going
to his office find that Dept. of Justice
has given finding adverse to our
contention in Dennis & Keale Cases
& principles dependent on those.

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June 24. Called on Mr Linton about
the impasse into which the finding
of the Dept. of Justice has thrown us,
& afterwards went to Courtney for
copy of the Opinion rendered.
Scot this & other papers to the
Minister (Linton) at his request.
Spent the whole morning over this
business.

June 25. Called again on Courtney
at his request about the above
matter. Recd prep work a memo. for
the Minister about mining laws
& rights in Canada & the U.S.

June 27. Call on Minister about
Mining laws. Memo. Star has
draft. got letter from Minister, wanted
several, first showing transference of
White (Chief Drafts man) to Int. Dept.
This I should very much object as it
would practically throw all drafting
work out of joint. Cannot, however, of
course stand in way of Mr W's promotion
if that is desired.

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June 28. Call on A. Power, acting
Dep. of Justice & Council in re
the Mining Laws memo. & connected
subjects. Called at Interior but could
not see Minister.

June 29. Called on Minister & with
Mr Sweet present explained case
of White, "Cartographic branch"
& Standard map.

July 1. To Colinet Island, about 50 m.
up the Ottawa with Mr de Faccarol,
Mr Meyers, Mrs Meyers & two
young Belgian gentlemen, to visit the
quarry & blende deposit now being opened
up there by a company of which Meyers
appears to be the chief managing spirit.
Electric Ry. to Aylmer, special train
on Portia & Pacific to Bryson Station.

Drive to Bryson village. Dinner at Hotel.

Drive to mine afterwards by the same route,
reaching Ottawa & Ren. pretty tired & hot,
although a very pleasant day's outing.

July 6. Somewhat protracted interview
with Mr A. Keen, who came with letter

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from Ed. Aberdeen. Is in Canada
looking up chances of manufacturing
iron.

July 7. Further interview with Mr. Keen
this am. by appointment. Short talk
with King on Alaska boundary. Call on
Auditor - several & on Queen's Printer.

July 9. Saturday. Called on Hon. Mr.
Lepton, who leaves for a holiday in the
west this evening. Got back memo. on
Mining regulations which after completing
by letter from Dept. of Justice, to be sent to
Sir S. Davies. Spoke of my own former
plans, particularly proposed visit to
barings - which approved. Spoke of late
conversations with King on Alaska boundary
matter; also of Mr. Leitch case, Fortburn's
wish that his son should be Ottawa agent
for G.S. reports (approved) Hoppmann's objection
to his name appearing second in C.S. list.
Alluded to Natural Gas regulations -
advisability of prohibiting export. Minister
thinks an export duty should be provided for.

July 11. Called on Power - Acting
Dep. Min. of Justice, about further
information respecting rights of aliens
in real estate in U.S. in connection with
proposed reciprocity in mining laws. Rev.
Called on Queen's Printer about delay
in printing & arrangements for Dom.
Work.

July 18. Called on Queen's Printer
to re-illustrate further del. delay
in printing etc. Called on
Auditor-General re his further
opposition to payments to Queen's
Wk. Very heavy rain this pm.

July 25. Called at Printing
Bureau for several remittance
respecting delay in printing.

July 26. Call upon W. F. King
about some Civil Service
difficulties raised by the Auditor
General in regard to Sawyer's Gen.
Office etc. Short talk on boundary
matters. Auditor yesterday
passed pay - bills for Queen's & Keels.

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Aug. 5. Call from W. F. King & about talk with him on boundary matters. Call from E. Bath of Anglo-American Trust Co., Enquiring about petroleum in N.W.

Aug. 6. Call from Inspector Couventine & wife, just down from Yukon.

S.S. Bestman reported today — Eva on board on her way to Inlet,

Aug. 8. Telegram from Fraser this evening about boring operations which seems to render it advisable for me to visit Edmonton now instead of later in summer as had intended. Decide to change plan, which had been to go to N.S. tomorrow & telegraph to that effect to Fraser.

Aug. 9. Getting matters in office in shape for an absence of 2 weeks or so.

Aug 10. Get away by train at 6 P.m. for the west. Find Mr & Mrs Lindsey Russell on the train for a short distance.

Aug 11. On C.P.R. going west. Reach
shore of St. Superior some time before
dark, by present running arrangements.
Day cool & stormy. Meet Mr. J. A.

Robinson, Colonial Secretary Wyld.
a wife on the train. I have lately had
some correspondence with him on
tests of porous stones for St. John's.
J. Siegel going to Regina man. as
manager Union Bank of Canada, also
J. Locke, instructor in Chemical
Laboratory New Haven. going fishing on
Wipigon.

Aug. 12. Another cool day & lowering
Hon. Mr. Sifton a his father board the
train at Red Coatage, where he has been
staying. Have some talk with him
on various matters before reaching Wpg.

Aug 13. Daylight seen today from
vicinity of Regina to Medicine Hat.
Rather warm most of day.

Aug. 14. Sunday. Reach Calgary about
3 am. & to Alberta Hotel. Spent day
reading & doing a little writing. In evg.

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for a short time with Cross at Ramster's Club. Day fine, pretty warm.

Aug. 15. Leave at 8 am. for Edmonton by rail, reaching there about 7 P.m. Cool day continued smoky stogy atmosphere indicating forest fire somewhere. Gotta Lacombe on train. Met by W.A. Fraser at station & to Alberta Hotel. Mr. Oliver Inf. called - anxious that I should look at river dredging, go to Egg Lake where tax reported, etc. Do not know if I can do all these things, but seems best that I should go with Fraser to Victoria first, starting tomorrow.

Aug. 16. Making arrangements to leave for Victoria. Warm day. Got off after lunch with Fraser, double team & driver. Cross River by Ferry at Ft. Saskatchewan & about 7 P.m. stop & cook supper by the road & feed horses. Then on again for another hour to house of settler named Bebbington. Got the horses stabled & permission to spread our blankets on the floor, where a somewhat restless night spent. The trail we are driving over is the

Range of deer. Gillis, operator at Victoria (fort. Telegraph) says that both black & white tail deer at this place & has knowledge of black tail as far as Battleford ^(station formerly called Elinor on Telegraph) & Grizzly Bear, but not further East. White tail in Torchwood Hills

Aug. 20. Chalwers, Surveyor, tells me that black-tail deer abundant at Saddle Lake. He killed one at Eagle Hills, S of Battleford. Has seen tracks of both this & the white-tail or jumping deer as far N. as Lesser Slave Lake.

He has seen Caribou at Manouan Lake (Father LaCombe's half-breed reservation. Tps. 47 & 48, Range - Caribou tracks at Swan Hills & believes that Caribou found about S. la Roche. He thinks that they do not come south of Old St Assiniboine or that part of Athabasca.

moose pretty abundant in Beaver Hills & occasionally seen both sides of the Saskatchewan further west, still.

same travelled by me late in Autumn
of 1879 when returning from Peace R. etc
to Winnipeg. Many fine fields of grain
now & settlers coming in pretty fast. A
number of Solicitors the past two years, not
too favourably regarded by the other people.

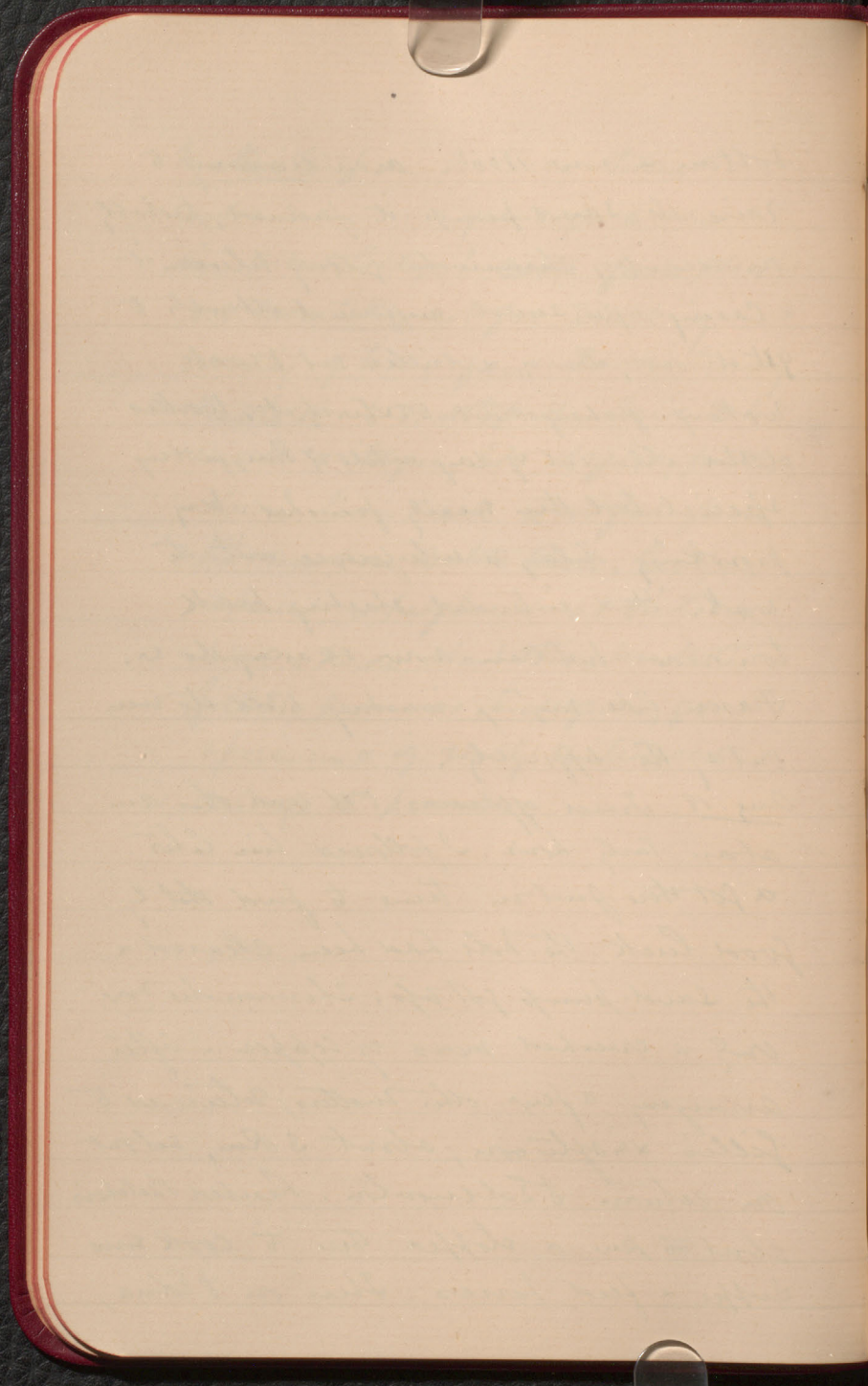
Aug. 17 Roused my early by movements of
the family & breakfast at 6 oc. Set off
at 7.45 & drive till afternoon, in great heat
most of the way. Stop for lunch nearly
two hours & then on again, reaching
Victoria a little before 5 P.M. Mr. Gillis,
telegraph operator, kindly consents to
put us up as best he can. The H.B. Co's
place here now deserted & everything
very quiet indeed. Cool, silent &
pleasant evening after the heat & dust.
Did not recross the river to visit
boiling plant at Mouth of Egg Cr.,
thinking it too late.

Aug. 18. Over to rig with Fraser. Took some
photos. of rig etc & while drilling dressing
bit put thermometer down the hole on
sand pump to ascertain temperature at

Meteorite from Victoria taken
last a number of years ago & now
in Albert College? Came from place
on Iron Ck., not far south of
crossing of trail from Todd's Crossing
Battle R to Battleford. Said to be
another & larger, like the first, further
down Iron Creek & not far from
its mouth on Battle River. George
Spence, a halfbreed at Victoria
said to know about this. Mr W.C.
Gillis promises to enquire, get
specimens & if really meteoric to
arrange to procure.

bottom - now 1120'. on endeavoring to
raise the sand pump it jammed, probably
on account of the mudwater getting between it
& casing. after several ineffectual attempts to
get it out, Fraser & driller set to work
making fishing tool to retract it, worked
at this all rest of day & till 7 P.m., getting
special tool then nearly finished. very
provoking delay & interference with the
work. Had intended starting back
tomorrow but can now scarcely do so.
Fraser like myself wanting to see the men
out of the difficulty.

Aug. 19. Fraser off across to the work this am
at an early hour. I followed him later
& got there just in time to find that by
good luck the hole had been cleared &
the sand-pump got up. Thermometer now
over a crushed mass of copper. After
arranging a few other matters, returned to
Gillie's & in afternoon, about 3 P.m., set out
on return to Edmonton. Reached Belcher's
about 6 P.m. & stopped there to cook some
supper & feed horses. Then on to Edna,



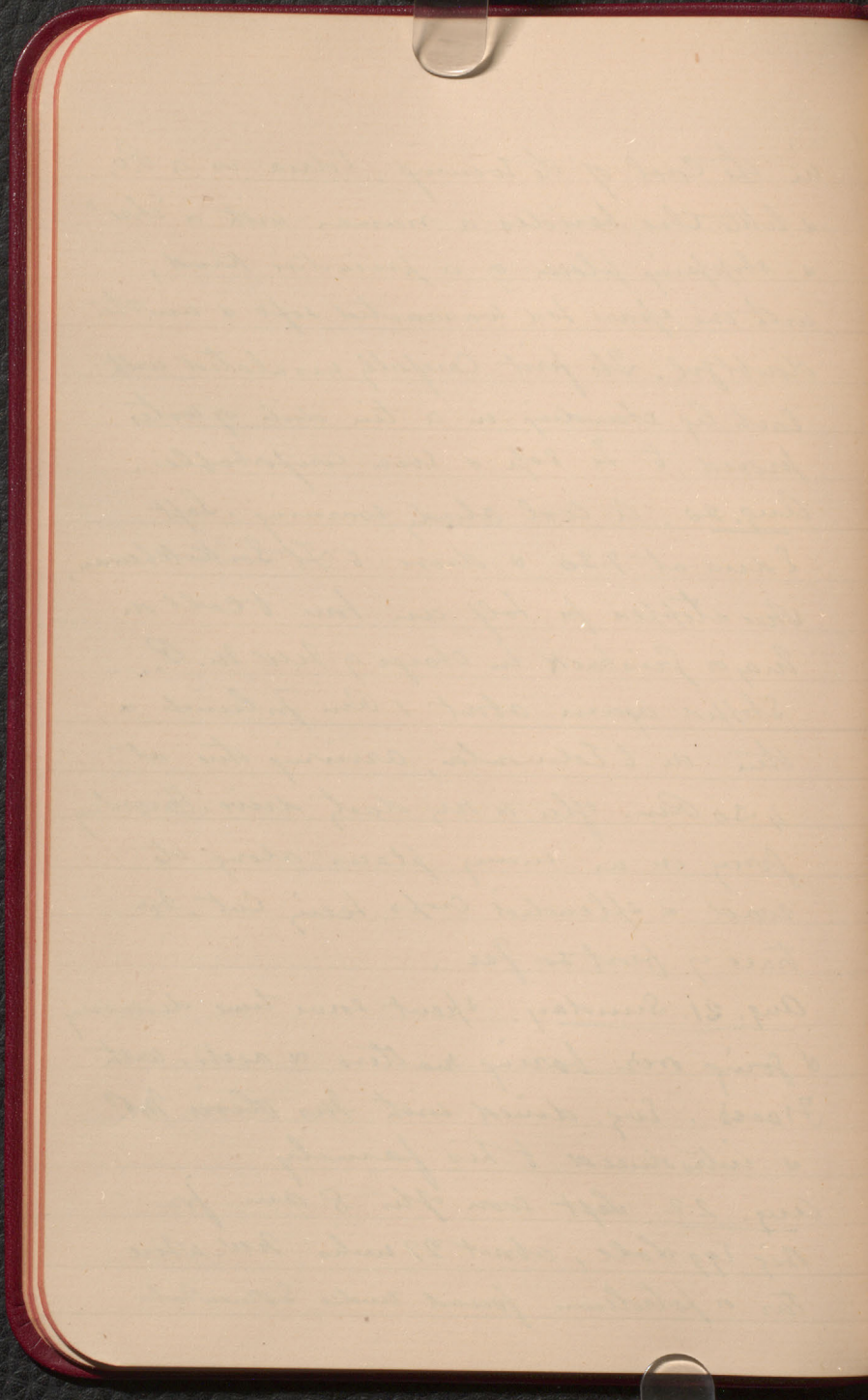
in the Cool of the evening. Edna is a P.O.
& little else besides a name with a 'store'
& stopping place of a primitive kind,
with one spare bed warranted safe & another
doubtful. The first Carefully insulated with
Each leg standing in a tin dish of water
proved to be safe & even comfortable.

Aug. 20. A cool cloudy morning. Left
Edna at 7.30 & drove to Ft. Saskatchewan,
where stopped for help on how to call on
Major Griseback in charge of N.W. M. P.

Stopped again about 1 P.M. for lunch &
then on to Edmonton, arriving there at
4.30 P.M. after a very dusty drive. Harvesting
going on in many places along the
road & splendid crops being cut. No
trace of pest so far.

Aug. 21. Sunday. Spent some time discussing
& going over boring matters & acct. with
Fraser. Evg. dined with Mr. Oliver M.P.
& introduced to his family

Aug. 22. Left soon after 8 am. for
Big Egg Lake, about 27 miles N.W. where
tar or petroleum found under somewhat

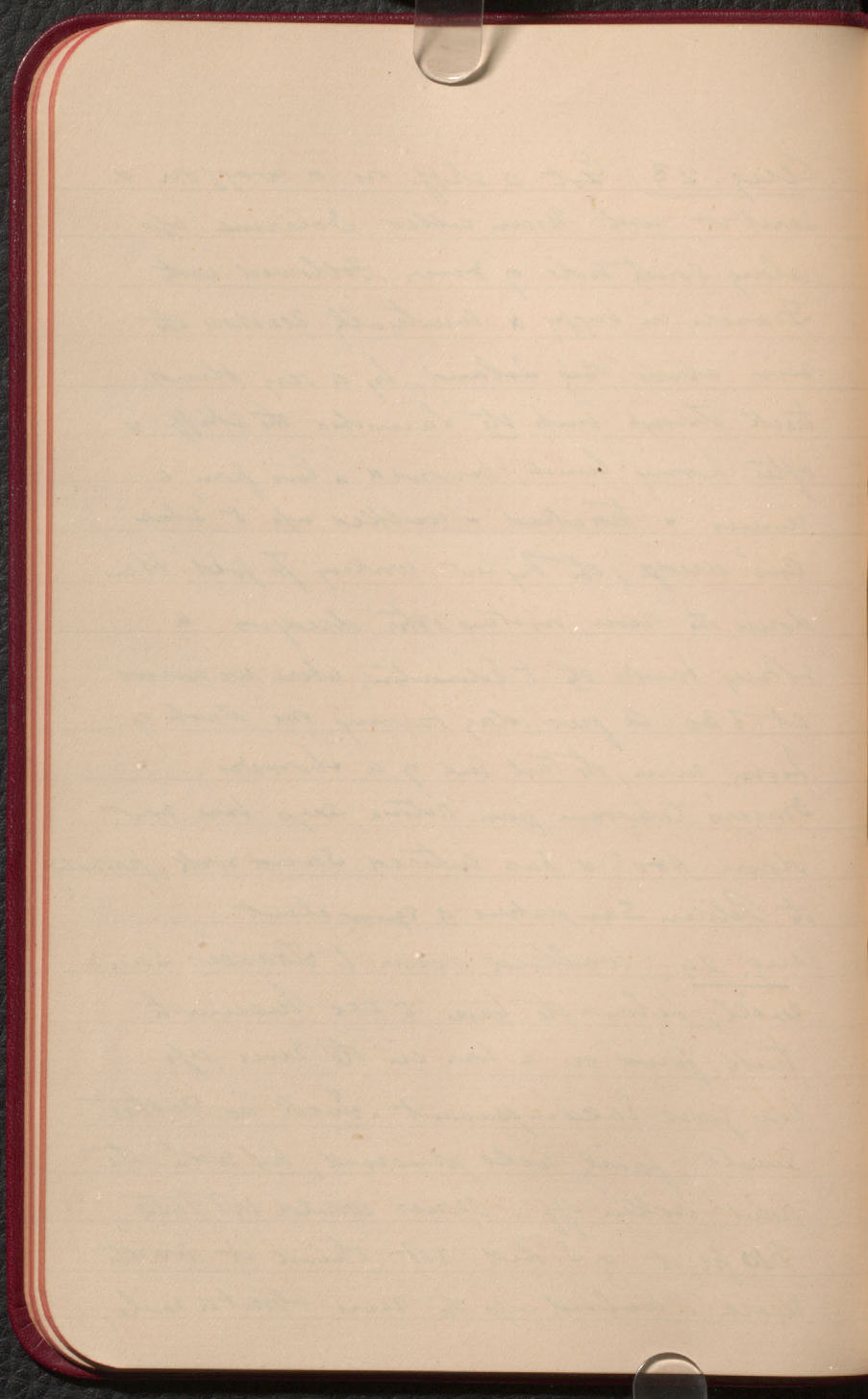


peculiar circumstances. Accompanied by
Francis & a Mr Lyons, one of the inventors of
an oil claim. The place had already been
visited in previous years by Lydell & Selwyn,
but Oliver & others anxious that I should see
it in connection with the present boring operations.
Morning foggy & overcast, but gradually
clearing & day as a whole fine & very
pleasant, cool & without rain. Drive through
St. Albert, with its imposing group of
mission buildings & large area of real
estate belonging to the 'Church'. Stop eventually
at a half-breed's house. Examine the 'prospects'
but really very little to be seen. Holes which
had been bored to a certain depth filled up.
Lunched on sandwiches brought with us &
returned to Edmonton, arriving 6 P.M.
Had intended going up river some 15 miles
tomorrow to see dredges & drifting in banks
for gold, but found that steam launch on
which I had depended is away. Engaged
with Francis trying to make alternative
arrangements. Interview W. Pearce who
bored the holes at Egg Lake, & others.

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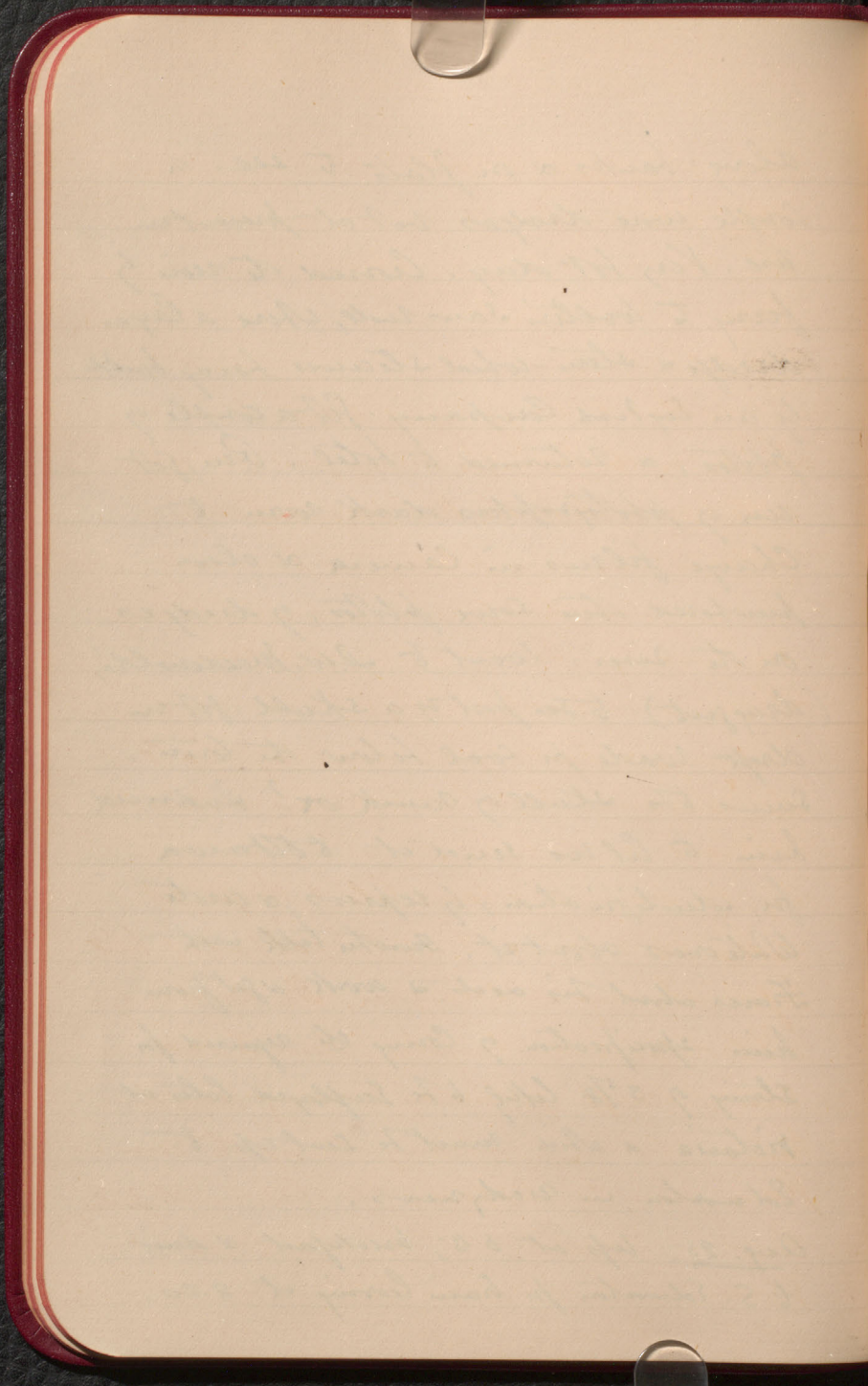
Aug. 23. Got a skiff on a wagon & sent it, with man called Delorme up along south side of river. Followed with Fraser in buggy & eventually reached the river above Big Island, by a very blind track through bush etc. Launched the skiff & after having lunch, borrowed a line from a miner & tracked & walked up to 'Star Co's' dredge, the highest working for gold. Then down the river, visiting other dredges & striking banks etc to Edmonton, where we arrive at 8:30. A fine day barring one dash of heavy rain, the tail end of a shower. Fraser's telegram from Victoria says bore now down 1160' & has entered sand rock, probably the Pelican Sandstone or equiv. client.

Aug. 24. Walked down to Fraser's Saur well, below the town to see Mammoth track found on a bar in the river up near Goose Encampment. Track is rather small, fairly well preserved, but with the point broken off. Owner would not take \$10 for it & I did not think it worth more. Walked up the river about a mile,



along banks & on flats to see a
couple more dredges not at present in
use. Very hot day. Crossed the river by
ferry to Wolters' Saw mill, where a large
dredge & stern-wheel steamer being built
by an English Company. Got a couple of
photos. & returned to hotel. P.M., got
one of photoplayers dark room to
change films in camera & also
punctured these same photos, of dredges
on the river. Went to D.W. Macdonald,
(drugist) to see part of a skull got in
drift wade for coal below the town.
Seems to be skull of mink or? Induced
him to let me send it to Ottawa
for identification, by express, & wrote
Whitecross about it. Further talk with
Francis about his nets & work & get from
him specification of Camp etc required for
string of 3 1/8 lines to be employed later at
Victoria & which must be sent up to
Edmonton in readiness.

Aug. 25. left at 6:15, breakfast & drive
to S. Edmonton for train leaving at 8:20.



Morning foggy & cool, clearing gradually before noon & fine & warm in P.M. all day on the way to Calgary, arriving on time at 7 P.M. To Alberta Hotel.

Aug. 26. Up to catch train to Banff at 2:55 am. Reach Banff about 6 am. Find S. Lamb on the train, he having finished his collecting work on the Red Deer & going to the mountains for a holiday, as previously arranged. Bath & general overhaul at Banff in morning. In P.M. get up & drive out Lamb to anthracite. Photograph the mine buildings & banks of Boulder Clay. Call at the 'Museum' Senator Cochrane & Mrs W. Cochrane at the Hotel.

Aug. 27. Train 2 1/2 hours late & therefore not called till 7 am. & then get breakfast at hotel before starting. At Laggan, Dr Barker of Philadelphia & daughter Ann I had seen at Banff yesterday morning board the train & pleasant company during the run to Glacis, where they stopped. Had a unsatisfactory lunch at Donald & late weed at Glacis in the afternoon. arrangements

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dislocated by blowers of train. H. J. Cowbie
came on board at Donald. Arrive at
Kawloops about midnight, & to Grand
Pacific Hotel, which shows signs of still
further deterioration since last summer.
Get a room with some difficulty after
recountering against being sent to a
neighbouring town.

Aug. 28. Sunday. Set out in traps with
good team of horses, at 7 am. to visit
Pot Hook Mine, near Sugar Loaf Hill, with
Mr H. G. Ashley, manager, who had expressed
strong wish last night that I should go.
Examined the place. Had dinner at the
Mining Camp & returned to Kawloops
in clouds of dust. Warm, but extremely
pleasant air on the hills which it is
a delight to breathe, making me feel
much better than I have for some time.
Call on Mr Wood & have a talk with
him about mineral claims etc on
area of Sturrock Street. Took a couple of
photos. of rock slides (series) of Paul's
Peak. Interviews with several people

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during the evening.

Aug. 29. Called up at 12:45 - Am to
Catch train going East at 1:15 Am.

Continue nap on sofa of smoking room &
Sleeps till 5 Am. When arrive at Sicamous.

Change store & eventually arrive very hungry
at Vernon about 8:30 Am. To Hotel
Kalevalka, a clean well kept comfortable
place & enjoy a good breakfast. After

a wash & change, to Mr Tunstoll's office
(Mining recorder etc) Talk about claims
being opened or operated in this district.

After lunch drive with Tim to visit the
Bon Diabole Group, about 4 m. distant.
A cool pleasant day, but roads dusty
& air hazy with smoke.

Aug. 30. Drive this morning with Mr
J.H. Lattimer to Blue Jay claim, on the
N.E. part of lower end of Sevan Lake. Collected
specimens etc & packed all so far got in a
box for despatch. Left by Ren train for
Sicamous, arriving there about dark.
A fine day, not too warm & clear again
of smoke. Put up at Lake View Hotel

Rodgers Pass valley in Selkicks (see maps)

This valley, forming the Summit notch by which the Selkicks are crossed by sq. is evidently part of a very old erosion, & appears to antedate the present deep valleys of Beaver Ck & the Illecillewaet River to the East & West respectively. It is deeply filled with material washed in from mountains on both sides, but is wide & trough-like. The slope of its rock-bottom cannot be determined (see profiles to note whether actual slope is greater than present cover may be supposed to account for.

It breaks off suddenly to the W. by a steep descent forming part of the side of the Illecillewaet valley, scarcely any water flowing from it on that side. To the East of the present Summit (wash) Bear Creek comes in from the Hermit Range to the N. & especially cuts down in a steep & somewhat V-shaped valley to its junction with Beaver Ck. The upper valley of the Illecillewaet about here is also approximately V-shaped, while the ~~upper~~ valley of Beaver, above & below Bear Ck. is trough like & deeply filled

Aug. 31. up at 4.30 am. to catch train
for glacier, then I decided to stop over for
a day for rest, wash & change. Several
people I know on train & Miss Shaw, the
Times' Correspondent, just returned from
Klondike. Wrote some letters, for a stroll etc
in P.M. Evening changed plots in folders
'Bonanza' Mackay arrived this eve. in
private Car.

Sept. 1. A beautiful bright morning, without
smoke. Left glacier by about 11 o'clock for
Calgary. Lambie got on train at Banff
on his way east. Arrive Calgary about
midnight

Sept. 2. Looked over some specimens with
P. Mac Cartty, lawyer of Calgary who is
interested in mining claims in Rocky Mts
proper with Major Walker. P.M. with Beases
to visit a couple of quarries a few miles
up the Bow River. On return down to his
house across the elbow to see his
plantations, garden etc. Evening talk
with Major Walker etc. Miss Shaw, Senator
Cochrane Mrs W. Cochrane & wife at

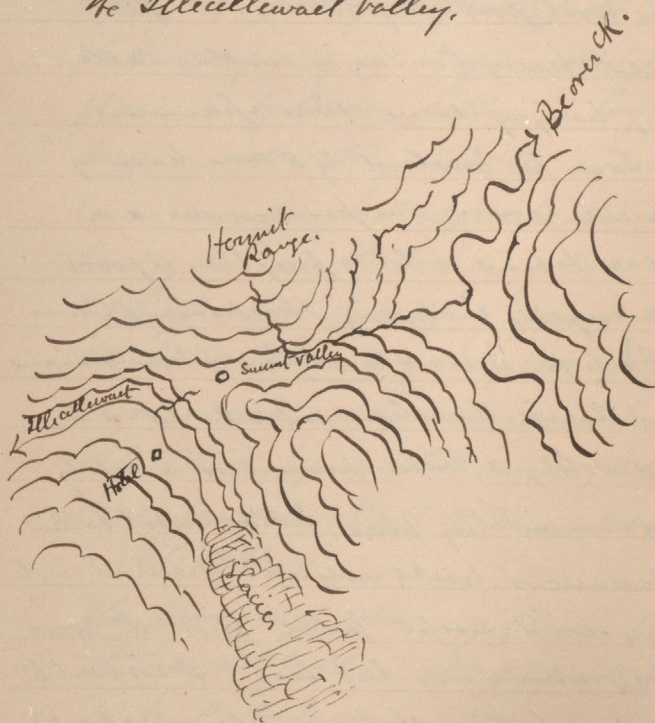
with alluvium. Flat bottom & river
winding without present excavating power.
It seems probable that the drainage of S. slopes
of Hermit Range formerly flowed away
westward through Rodgers pass valley &
along a corresponding high old valley nearly
coincident with Illecillewaet. That for some
reason the greater part of water from great
glaciers & possibly much from other sources
flowed E. by Beaver cutting in long time
deep & wide valley. When this in part of
Came was here, had approximated to base
level of erosion, its tributary Bear CK
cut back & took drainage of Hermit Range.
At the same time, or not very long before, the
Illecillewaet among increased water or
after Came began active erosion, cutting
down far below level of Summit valley
& still cutting.

The presence or absence of glaciers ice in
the several valleys at different times, &
its effect whether as an erosive or protective
agent also require consideration. The
valley of Bear CK, the Summit valley &
doubtless also the old high Illecillewaet Valley

Hotel & all toward south by tomorrow
evening's train to Macleod, where I also
propose going now, not having heard from
Ottawa here as I should if needed there.
Receive telegram from Fraser, at Victoria, Alta.
in reply to mine from Glacier. Baring is
now down 1280 feet, a cool pleasant
& for the most part bright day. No frost
experienced here yet. Major Walker called in
evening, bringing some more specimens.

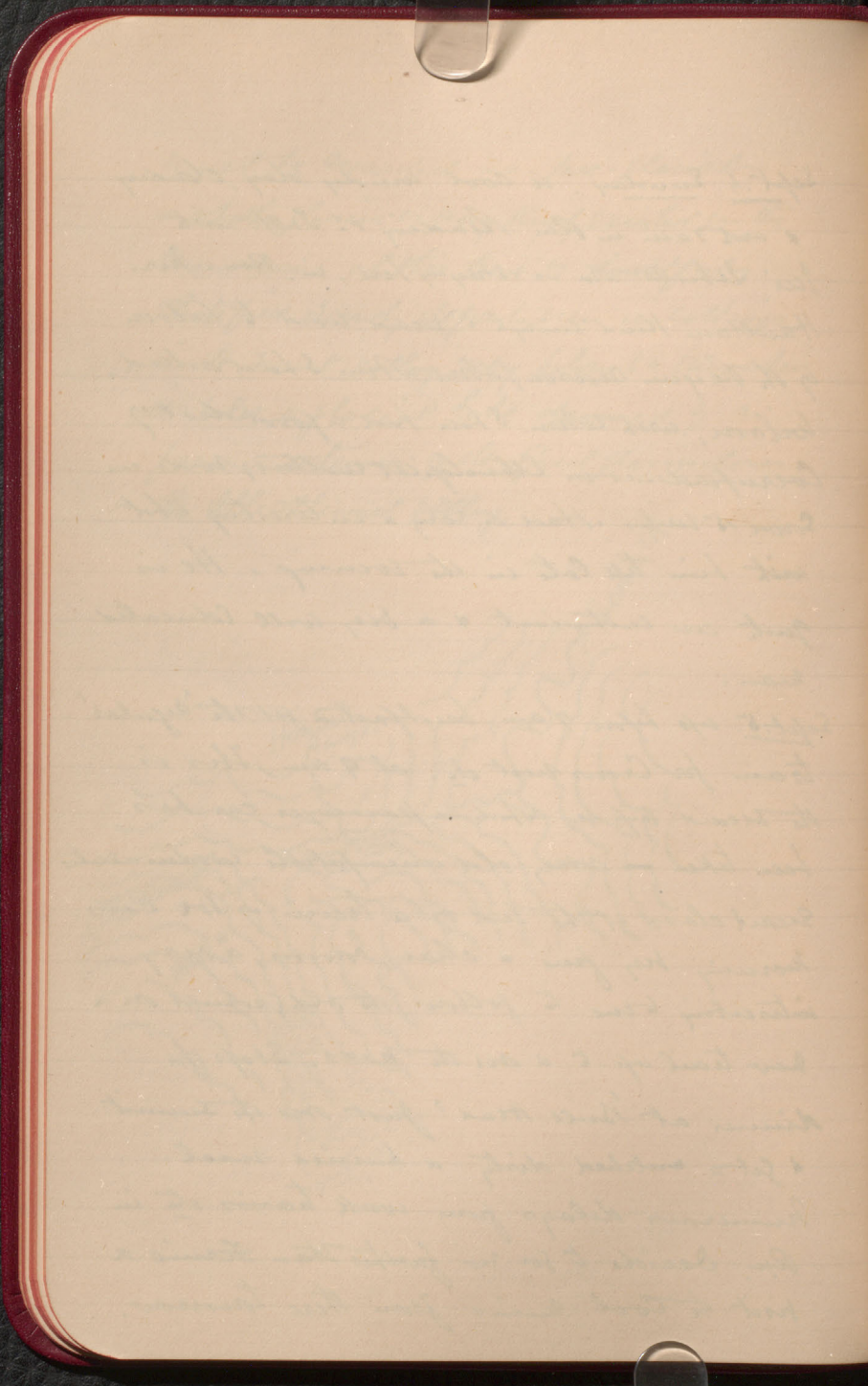
Sept. 3. Leave for Macleod by 8 am. train of
the triweekly service. One passenger car & a
baggage car behind a lot of freights. A good
many passengers, including Herkimer (Comm.
New. M.P.) & wife, Miss Shaw, Mr & Mrs Cochrane
& others. Arrive Macleod about 1.30 & to
Macleod Hotel, a rather primitive a not by
any means inviting place, but somewhat better
than appearances would indicate. Macleod is the
same bare wind swept pebbly spot it was
in '93 & '94 when I was first here. Drove out to
Honeyville, the new station, to learn about
trains which run rather irregularly as yet.
A cool & severely overcast day.

Must be regarded as pre-glacial
& whether glaciers of any kind existed in the
Mountains at this time is doubtful.
Stratified sandy deposits seen in cuttings
in the Summit valley may belong to a time when
it held a glacial lake dammed by a
farmer extension of the Great glacier down
the Illecillewaet valley.



Sept. 4. Sunday: A cool windy day, cloudy & with rain in P.m. Reading etc. Talk with Mr. Seibert who is staying here, in P.m. Mr. Haultain kind enough to send word to Wilson of the Peigan Reserve, about whom I had asked. Wilson, with whom I have had a good deal of correspondence in Ethnological matters, rode in Snow 18 miles. Had a long & interesting chat with him till late in the evening. He is quite an enthusiast & a very well educated man.

Sept. 5. Up before 7 a.m., breakfast & get the 'regular' train for Crosscut etc. at 9 a.m. This is the second trip on which a passenger car has been taken - a very old uncomfortable wooden-seated second class at the end of a train of box cars. Morning very fine & clear, however, a very interesting time to follow the old ground on a new trail up to & over the pass. Stop for dinner at 'Bull Head' just over the summit & get a wretched dirty & hurried meal. Numerous delays from work trains etc. in P.m. Decides to go no further than Fernie & visit the Coal mines from there tomorrow.



Arrive about 6 P.m. & to Coal Ck. Hotel, but
after supper informed that nothing in the nature
of a bed to be had there, not even blankets on the
floor. Meanwhile met Mr Fernie who is
going West immediately, but with his help find
a reasonably comfortable room in another
Hotel in the old part of town about $\frac{1}{4}$ m from
the station. A log fire in primitive stone
fireplace secluded by a partition from the
bar makes a sitting room, very comfortable
in this keen mountain air. Have a short
talk with Mr Fernie before he leaves. Arrange
for a team to go to mines tomorrow morning
at 7.30 A.m.

Sept. 6. Got away in thick mist about 8 am
& drive some 5 m up Coal Creek by good road
to the place at which the Coal Mining Co. is
opening mines. Mist soon cleared & turned
out a beautiful day. Found Mr Blakemore
Manager of the mine & had a talk with him.
Took a couple of photos. & drove back. Much
work going on about the mine preparing
yard, screens, bins etc for regular shipments
soon to begin. Company is putting up first

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lot of 100 coke ovens with fire-bricks from
Wales costing laid down \$50 per M.

On return to Fernie, find that the 'regular'
of which we knew to be had before, expected
immediately. Got traps put on board & a
hurried dinner. Then a long wait & eventually
off about noon. Numerous delays waiting
for work-trains to get off the line etc. Towards
evening took on two injured men, one with broken
ribs & one with broken leg, here also three
men down with 'mountain fever'. Two ladies
& three children & a miscellaneous lot of men,
mostly pretty rough. Box Car used for baggage
got off the line on the loop & two men thrown
out & narrowly escaped injury. Soon after
getting under way again stopped by a slide,
about 5 P.M. Long delay while gang of men at
work on the slide & engine twice derailed
while backing & filling in endeavor to get us
past. Passed the night in varying degrees of
discomfort - a numerous short naps in various
postures. Off eventually again about 5 A.M.

Sept. 7. Another fine morning with white
frost on the ground in the pass. When about

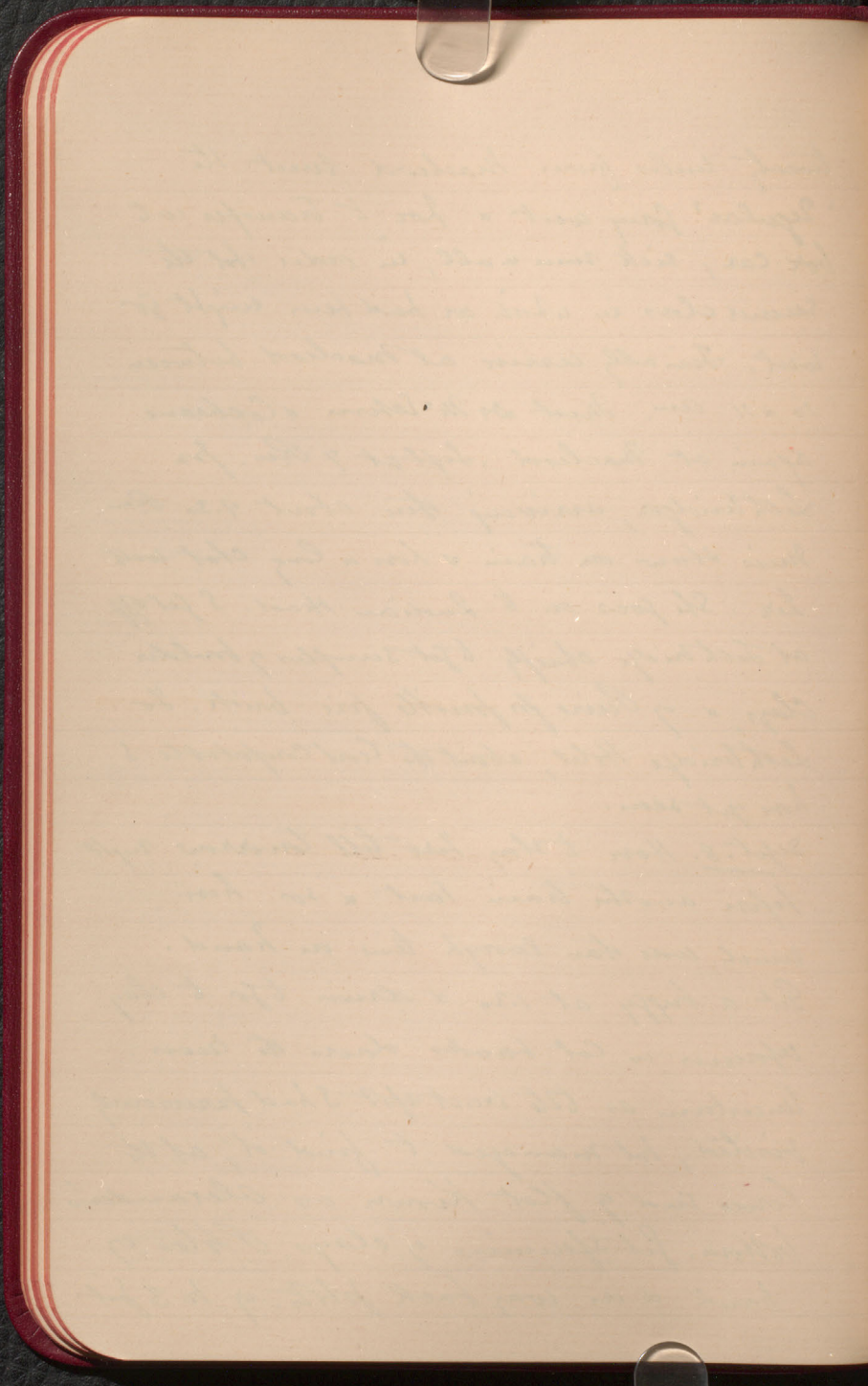
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twenty miles from Macleod West the
'Regular' ferry went & I & Doc to transfer into
box car, sick man & all, in order that the
second class in which we had been might go
west. Finally arrive at Macleod between
10 & 11 am. Meet Dr McEtern & Cochrane
again at Macleod. Left at 7 P.M. for
Lethbridge, arriving there about 9.30 P.M.
Miss Shaw on train & have a long chat with
her. She goes on to Indian Head. I get off
at Lethbridge chiefly to get samples of boulder
clay, & of Pierre for possible fire-bricks. To
Lethbridge Hotel, about the best comfortable I
have yet seen.

Sept. 8. Have to stay here till tomorrow night
before another train east & so have
much more than enough time on hand.

Get a buggy at 1.30 & driver to go to clay
exposures in Cot. banks down the river.

Uncertain as to the exact spot I had previously
visited, but managed to find it, at the
lower end of flat known as Alexander's
bottom. Get specimens of clays. Photos of
bank & on way back photo. of 10 3 pit



the one now being worked for coal.
Dunkers were observed unpleasantly about
this place & hotel.

Sept. 9. Walk down to flat near the town
& climb along cut banks to get a
specimen of the upper Boulder clay. In
P.M. went with Mr. Higginbotham (Postmaster)
to see his collection of Curios. A lot of
miscellaneous truck which he seems to
think I must be much interested in.

A very fine day & warm as soon as
the sun got up. ~~Left for Sutherland at~~
~~7 P.M. Had a long talk with Miss~~
~~Shaw, the Attorney General, & went~~
~~to continue to Sutherland. Leave~~
tonight for Medicine Hat.

Sept. 10. Arrive Medicine Hat 6 A.M.
& board the East-bound train on
Main line, which exactly on time.

Sept. 11. Travelling Eastward

Sept. 12. " "

Sept. 13. Reach Ottawa before 10 A.M.
Change & work at office.

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Sept-14. Dinner at Rideau club
given by Judge McTavish to C. Russell

Sept-15. Leave for Montreal 3:50 P.M.,
by New South line, arriving Montreal
6:45 P.M. Eva is still in Montreal.
Take on the Point of leaving for Cayland.
Father seems considerably improved
from Metis.

Sept-16. To Beauport, Litch, about 10:30.
Look over new Laboratories with
Bernard. Return to Ottawa by train
leaving Montreal 4:15 P.M. Eva goes
on board steamer tonight, to start
daylight tomorrow morning.

Sept-20. Call on Minister, who returned
from west yesterday, about proposition suggested
by Tyrrell & Major Walsh that Tyrrell
should return from Skogway to Dawson
for the winter. On explaining matters, the
Minister agrees with me that it will be
best for Tyrrell to return in usual way,
write to Tyrrell in that sense. Calls
from the the Wood, Mr Macfarlane of
Leland Riv. & others. Write in from the

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field yesterday & today. Arranging
with him about wops work.

Sept 21. Called on Swart, Chief Architect,
about his plans for new building. His
promise to get something done on them
now & to get suggested site surveyed. Called
at Printing Bureau & got Mr Watson
started up to complete Vol IX, which
has been in long on the stocks.

Sept. 22. At Bureau again this am.,
Saw Dawson, Gladden etc - Hunting up
strayed wops. Dr Rughedge made a
long call in pm. Warkley more favorable
reply to his questions about gold-
dredging on the Peace. Told him I could
go no further than I knew.

Sept 24. Left Ottawa for Montreal by
3:50 train, intending to spend Sunday
in Montreal & go on to N.S.

Sept 25. Sunday. In Montreal. Intended
to leave for Truro N.S. by I.C. Ry at 7:05
Am., but at last moment all efforts to get
a cab failed. Very heavy shower
coming on, just at church time, NPA

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Col. Le obtained from any of the
stands. After deciding that it was stale
to start for Station, remembered that
train by C.P.R. Start three hours at
8 Am. & eventually got off by this.

Met Col. Downville met on the train &
berths being scarce, shared the drawing
room with him.

Sept. 26. Downville got off at St. John.

Train at Truro at 6:45 Am.

Miss Ami at station to say that
Ami here but unwell. Also telegram
from Ottawa to say that proof which
I had instructed should be sent to
reach Truro by same train had
only reached Ottawa today. Do
not know where to send it
now till I can see Ami tomorrow.
Weather rather cool & overcast.

Sept-27. Called round on Ami, where he
is staying at a boarding house. Found
him considerably better. Dr. reports that
he may go off tomorrow. Telegraphed
Selwyn to send proof to Woodville

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Dull cold & cloudy in morning & about noon began to rain & rained heavily & continuously all day. Absolutely nothing to do but read

Sept 28. Clearing but still cold this am. Got off with ami at 9:45 am. by train to Windsor Junction. Long wait there for train going west. Arrive at Wolfville about 6.30 P.M. To Royal Hotel, which looks comfortable clean & quiet. Wind still strong & cold, but rain has cleared.

Sept. 29. ~~Drove~~ ~~Back~~ ~~ami~~ to Angus Brook, a stream running into Gasperaux River. Spent the greater part of the morning up the brook, examining section. Back to hotel & to P.O. expecting to get proof, but not arrived. Afternoon, drove to Blue Beach. Examined section along shore towards Horton St. Ho (typical Horton Series) & then in opposite direction till near sundown. Then drove back 9 m. to Wolfville, greater part of the way under bright moon. Still no proof by

The first thing I noticed
when I stepped out of the
train was a cold wind
that felt like a thousand
hands reaching for me.
The ground was covered
in a thin layer of snow,
and the trees were
bare, their branches
reaching out like skeletal
fingers against a pale
sky. I had never
before, and it felt like
I had entered a new
world.

As I walked, I
noticed a few people
shivering in their
heavy coats. The
air was thick with
the scent of coal
burning in the
stoves. I had heard
that the winters were
harsh, but I didn't
realize how cold it
could be. The snow
was not just a
light dusting, but a
blanket that had
settled on the ground
for weeks. I had
never before, and it
felt like I had
stepped into a
different era.

The evening mail, which they were expecting
as had planned to go on tomorrow
to Parrsboro. Beautiful bright cool
autumnal day. orchards everywhere
loaded with apples. Picking just
about to begin.

Sept. 30. Prooy arrived this morning by
train from Halifax. Spent watery day in
reading it & returned the greater part
by Am. mail to Ottawa. Then looked over
Acadia College buildings with Mr E. G. Haycock
who has just been appointed to teach Chemistry
& Geology. Buildings are beautifully situated.
Another beautiful day. About 9 Am. Alarm
of fire & great hub-bub in this quiet town,
the American House being in flames. Fire
soon subdued, but broke out again about
2 am, when a fresh alarm & disturbance.

Oct. 1. Leave by 10:40 am train. To Kentville
In. Change & on to Kingsport, where take
steamer to Parrsboro. Managed to get a
Sardinet made meal on the little steamer
after the crew. Beautiful clear day with fine
views of Blomidon etc. Reach pier at point

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about 2 m. from Parsborough about 2 P.M.
the tide being too low to allow getting into the
harbour. The vicinity of the pier was hot,
lowen, which we were anxious to examine
- Contact between Union or Rivingdale
rocks ~~at~~ with Carb. limestones etc. Spent
most of afternoon along the beach here, and
finding some large reptilian tracks in
the Sub-Carb. rocks. Drove to Parsborough
& after supper at the Grand Central, got traps
& drove on 12 miles to Brodrick's at
Five Islands, arriving there late & rather
cold & taking the people by surprise. Very
fine day & even the night drive with full
moon pleasant enough except for the very
bad condition of parts of the road.

Oct. 2. Sunday. Reading & loafing
all day. Walk along the beach etc. Another
fine day & sorry to lose it for work.

Oct. 3. Immediately after breakfast drove
a couple of miles to a point opposite which
we wished to reach Harrington River.
Walked across to river & spent the
whole day on it, examining section &

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Collecting. A very fine day, beautiful valley with many woods now beginning to turn bright. Interesting section of rocks of the Riversdale Series with considerable abundance of fossils in many parts.

Oct. 4. Drive from Lower Six Islands to Ry. at Londonderry Station, 34 mi. Stop at Boss R. for dinner. Catch the train by good fortune & reach Tyrone early in the evening.

A beautiful day & very pleasant drive, although atmosphere rather smoky & distant views obscured. A fine country with neat & clean looking houses & picturesque woods of maple, beech or mingled with evergreens. Find a batch of fossils at Tyrone & set up late reading it.

Oct. 5. Took train to Union Station with Annie & spent the greater part of day carefully examining the excellent section of 'Union' red rocks along the Ry. line between Union & Valley. On reaching the latter place found that owing to change in time-table we had missed the last train back to Tyrone, five miles. It was already beginning to rain &

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We were therefore very fortunate in being able to get a wood buggy by means of which we reached Inuro in time for supper at the hotel. Very heavy rain tonight.

Oct 6. By train to Meijomish & thence by the mail waggon to McAras Brook. To Macdonald's house there, one of the numerous Macdonalds, but place where Fletcher, Coe & others examining arasap sections have been in the habit of staying. Ami has been here before also. Very kindly received a glad & grateful shelter after being exposed to a very strong cold wind for 2 or 3 days. Joseph Macdonald & wife very old & frail, the daughter & son John Macdonald (Joc.) so called, attending to the farm. House on a rather bleak hillside some 200 feet above the sea. Soil hereabout seems poor & land broken & hilly.

Oct. 7. With Ami to McAras Brook sections, collecting & examining them. Walk down the brook to the shore.

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a genuine soul places along shore,
but continued strong wind & heavy sea
with nearly full tide renders this
somewhat difficult. Had a lunch
brought out to us in the middle of the
day

Oct. 8. Left early this Am. by the ~~stage~~
mail-wagon, reaching Winnipeg
before noon. Dinner there. Left Am. at
the Station bound to October district.

I had thought of going there also, but on
consideration concluded it would be
better to return to Ottawa now - so
much there to be looked after & delays
taking place in publication. Took
train to Leno. Mr Howard Peirson &
his brother the Senator on the train
from N. Glasgow. After a wait of an
hour or more at Leno, the train
being late, got the Maritime express
for Montreal. A hot stormy night.

Oct 9. Sunday. Reach Montreal
just before 6 P.M., the train being
about 1 1/2 hours late & missing direct

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connection for Ottawa. Drove up
to Fetter's & paid a short visit there,
leaving to catch 10 P.m. train to Ottawa
& reaching Ottawa on time at 7.40 am
Oct. 10.

Oct 10. Several wash & change, &
to office where began making
correspondence etc accumulated during
past fortnight.

Oct 11. Had W. & dinner tonight. Fleet
turned up from Montreal.

Oct 12. Called on Queen's Printer about
the work. Fleet dined with me this
evg.

Oct 13. Called on Courtney at his
request about McNeill Case. Prof. Porter
from McGill here today. Devoted some
time to him in connection with letters
over etc. Tyrrell returned from
Yukon district, looking very well.

Oct. 14. Called on Mr. Sifton this am.
about various office matters, but particularly
in regard to his promotion of Mr. White
to position of geographer to Dept. of

interior. I cannot of course stand in
the way of the Whites' advancement, but
his loss will be a very serious one to the
office & will probably set us back several
years in regard to work facilities. He
is anxious to stay if he can get paid as
pay here, but this seems hard to arrange.
also spoke of possible participation in
"Greater Britain Exhib" London. McLeish
offer. He offered to be a proponent of want to
place of lithologist. McLeish offer,
Raymond & Francis's acts in Carcopino
building, possibly of set. for new building
this year, etc. Minister seems to regard
the building project very favorably.

Oct. 17. Called on Ewart, Chief Architect,
about plans for proposed building &
to arrange an interview with our minister.

Had a long talk with Fisher at his office,
after dinner, about proposal to participate
in so called Greater Britain Exhib. in
London. also about Paris Exhib. of
1900.

Oct. 18. Called on Mrs. Mrs. Sifton, with

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Mr Smart & plans or sketches prepared for new building. Spent some time discussing there

Oct. 20. Called at 10 am on Mr Sifton to further discuss the proposed transfer of Mr White to Int. Dept as geographer.

Mr S. seems to have gone as far in the matter & care to decide, although admitting the force of my objections. Said that in any case nothing need be done at once

& that White might remain to finish his work here etc. Called on Queen's Printer

about various printing matters. In

evening receive note from White saying that

he had accepted the position in Int. (presumably to Mr Smart) At work at

office again in evg. reading proof etc.

Oct. 24. Called on Miss Shaw, Times

Correspondent, at her request, to

answer questions & give information.

Discuss 'facts' she had gathered from

H.B. Co people assembled at Ulthabosea

Sanding, where she has been with

Mr Chipman. Note from W. tonight

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Written yesterday to Jay that a daughter
added to family Oct. 22. Mr Long back today,
Oct 25. Call from Miss Stew, who
spent a short time in Museum.

Wilson & Seech back today.

Oct. 26. Dine at Fort. Home this evening. -
A small dinner - one of a series being
given as farewell dinners by Lord & Lady
Aberdeen. Honoured by escorting Her Ex.
in to dinner, but perturbed, on leaving, by
being given a leaf of her album to 'write
something on'

Oct. 28. Dined at Club with Hon. Sydney
Fisher & Hon Messrs. Davies, Faste, Joly
& others.

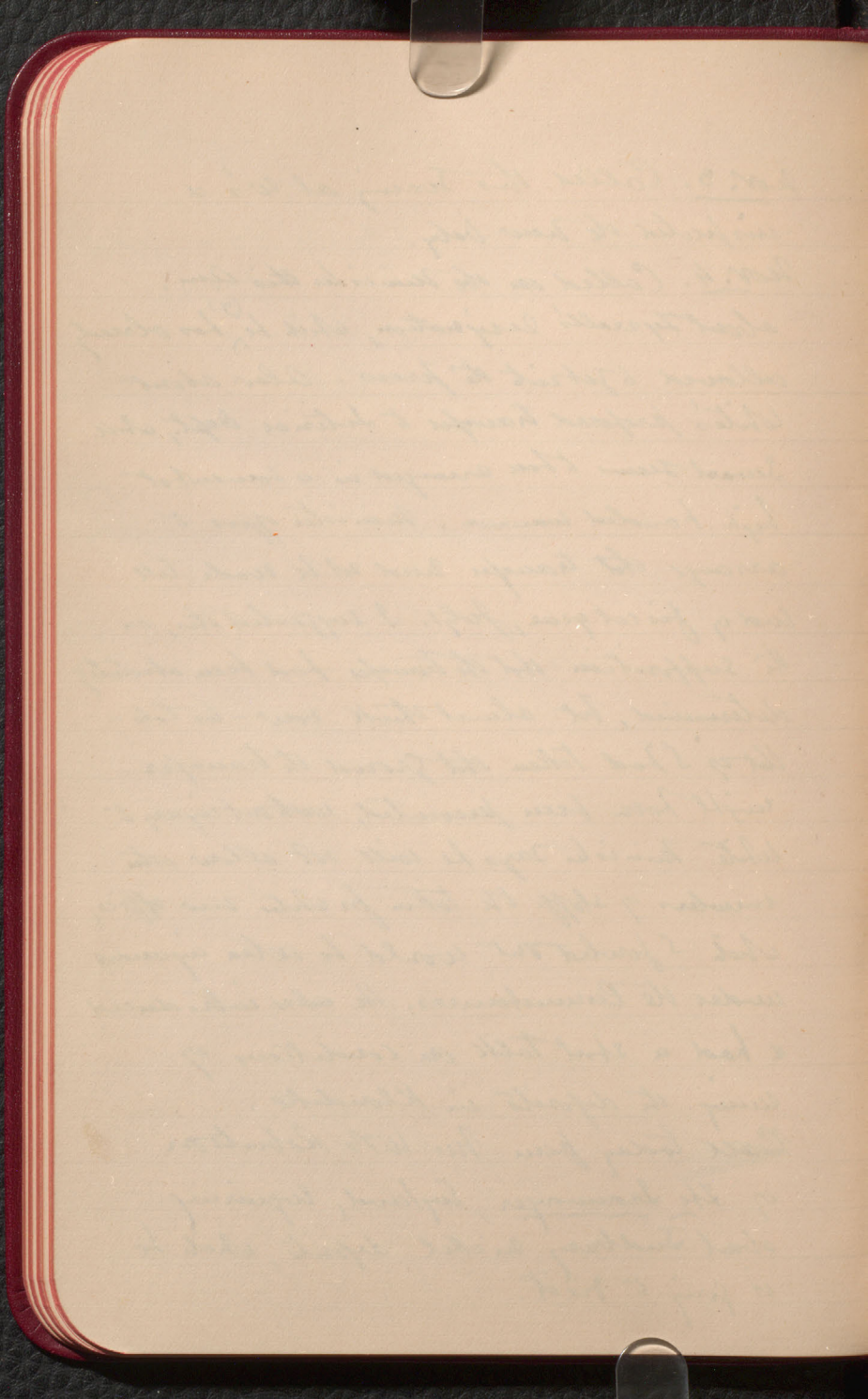
Oct. 29. Saturday. Dr H.P. Wright died
very suddenly early this morning.

Oct. 31. To Dr Wright's funeral this P.M.
Fyrell tells me that he is going to Casper & Fort Klondike.
Nov. 1. All Saints - A Holiday. Meeting

of Committee on Measurement of an Arc
in Canada, with Deville & Keppen.
Spent some time working a sketch for
Her Ex's album & sent the same off.
Banquet tonight to Her Ex. Farewell.

Nov. 3. Called this evening at W's & inspected the new baby.

Nov. 4. Called on the Minister this Am., about Tyrrell's resignation, which he ^(S) has already allowed to get into the press. Also about White's proposed transfer to Interior Dept., which Stuart seems to have arranged in a somewhat high handed manner. Minister offers to arrange that transfer need not be made till end of fiscal year, July 1. I suggested this, on the supposition that the transfer had been absolutely determined, but almost think now - too late - that if I had taken that ground the transfer might have been prevented, without injury to White. Minister says he will not allow other members of staff to be taken for White's new office, which I pointed out would be extra injurious under the circumstances. He also introduced & had a short talk on conditions of securing the deposits in Klondike. Received today from Mr W.B. Robertson of the Lawmeyer, England, enquiring about Sudbury nickel deposits, which he is going to visit.



Nov. 8. Bell returned from the field
today

Nov. 9. Ltr from the Minister (personal)
indicating that some serious intention of
taking up the question of a new Museum
building. The matter under consideration.

Nov. 12. To Montreal by P.M. train.

Nov. 13. Sunday. In Montreal.

Nov. 14. To Lithographers obt. wops. To Books
shop with Anna to order a "parricide"
for Rankine's little girl - already too
long delayed. Call on Dr Adams &
have a short chat with him about
Laurentian, Harmonian & Hastings
groups & propos of Mr Barlow's
Report now printing in which he
seems desirous of working changes.
My wish to have clarification of one or
two as far as possible till conclusion of the
studies by him & Adams in Central
Ont. Took P.M. train back to
Ottawa.

Nov. 17. Fraser turned up from Victoria,
Alberta, where he has shut down boring

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for the season. Had some short talk with
him about the work & paid bills etc.

Nov. 18. Letter today from Hon. Mr. Tarte
asking me to attend lecture by Bernier etc
N. pole experient in Montreal, in
Capreone hall of La Patrie Office. Rather
inbarrony, as I have not the time to spare
& besides would not care to appear with
Bernier & in the surroundings mentioned.

wrote, however, as polite a note as I
could declining. Tyrrell handed in story of

^{In relation to story to H. M. D. K.}
Nov. 19. Went on to review of Logell's report
with him this pm.

Nov. 20. ^{Secondary} At work on W.S. of last part of
Barlow's report this pm, revising it for
printer.

Nov. 21. Received copy of vic C transcribing
his white to Dept. of Int. as Joseph's
to take effect July 1st next. Letters from
~~Anna~~ Anna, including one from G. H.
speaking of Rankin's illness & her.
Telephone to Anna about it & write to
Dr Campbell Williams, who is attending
R., at Walter's request.

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Nov. 23. Called on Minister about
Lyrdall resignation. He takes the ground
that Thorning assumed the duties of the
expedition & spent the money necessary for its
execution should properly complete his
work before leaving & is in honor bound to
do so. I feel very much the same myself.
Discussed also the proposition to have to
Prof. Osann, as lithologist. The successor
to Mr White or. Also the project of
giving several vice in salaries below Lyrdall's,
when he leaves & the appointment of a new
field geologist. Suggested Lawson &
that he might communicate with Prof. Coleman
about him [as to (recumer) seems to
attach great importance to Coleman's
judgement in geological matters. I do
not know Lawson personally. Afterwards
Call on Auditor about Seach & how
he is to be paid for the next two months
before his probation of 2 years is completed.
Talk with him in Rm. - He is
discontented with his pay & prospects
& his fees prevented or obstructed in
getting anything published, by Mr White over.



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Talk also with Tyrrell, regarding basis
of Minister on his application for leave of
absence on retiring & stating my own
views.

Nov. 25. Telephone from Prof. MacLeod,
Montreal. He is coming up tomorrow
about P.S. Committee for measuring meridians
are in continuation of that being measured
in U.S. Some disagreement between him &
Capt. Deville in the matter.

Nov. 26. Had MacLeod to Luncheon, having
already called on Deville at 10 am.

MacL. goes to see Deville in P.M. &
arranges matters in dispute. Tyrrell
handed me a rather lengthy note to send to
Minister about criticism of his work of
Leaving Survey. Walter advised him not to send
it & in evg. he came in & withdrew it.

Nov. 27. Sunday. Long chat with Hon. Mr
Fisher & Prof. Robertson about Paris
exhib. arrangements, at the Club, where
we happened to meet. Am at office.

Nov. 28. Got back draft of proposed
letter to Osann from Minister, approved

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& dispatched letter to same
offering him appointment as Lithologist.

Dec. 1. Called on Mr. Courtney this am
re. Ferris's application to the ^{Land} ~~the~~
new Patent Act. Then on the Minister,
on the same subject & others. The Minister
is leaving for the West on Saturday & I
knewed to try to send him copy of McCawell's
& Ferris's preliminary note on Klondike before
he left. In P.M. visited Fopley abt.
Eastern slides & other work. Then to meeting
of R.B.C. Committee in DeWitt's office -
Dentle, McLeod, Fleming & Keefer present.
Discussed wearment of overidean &
proposed wearment to Govt.

Dec. 6. Called on Queen's Printer this
am, about accounts etc. He tells me,
confidentially, of a most detrimental
change that is being to be made in regard to
the printing of our maps - from political
motives.

Dec. 9. Called on Queen's Printer
to ascertain further particulars about
the proposed disturbance in our mapping

arrangements. - all west window factory
a can see no way out of the mess which
seems seriously to affect our work. Called on
Courtney alt. Lywell & his request to be
put ^{under} the new defining arrangement.
also on Hon. Scott (but did not see him)
alt. array of people he would make.
left a message.

Dec. 17. Called on Smart Dep. Min. 9
alt. alt. speaks Britain Exhib. & London
Chambers of Mines Exhib. about which he
had written, but which he did not know
had been previously considered. Mentioned
the matter also to Fisher when I saw him
at Club in the evening.

Dec. 21. To Montreal by Ren train &
went with Anna & Clare to the reception
at opening of new McGill Chemical &
Mining building

Dec. 22. Return to Ottawa by Am. train.
Call on Smart Chief architect, but disappointed
to find that he has yet made no further progress
with plans for new building. Lagan
club dinner tonight at 7 o'clock.

Dec. 23 Had W. & Cume with me at Club.

Dec. 24. Called on the Minister this am., chiefly about Lyrell's application to be put under the new "Retiring act" in order that he may get back the money paid in by him to Superannuation fund. Minister agrees that I may recommend this. Write to Courtney doing so. Call from Mrs. Marten who is here lecturing on Social Subjects. Trying to get Wellers closed up & things packed for Montreal Christmas, but get news for about 7 pm time that I telegraph to Father that I will go down by morning train tomorrow - Sunday. Spend the afternoon clearing up desk at office.

Dec. 25. In Montreal this am. On arrival find that both Mother's servants & all three of Anna's are down with influenza & domestic arrangements consequently were or less in chaos.

Dec. 26. Father, though apparently as well as usual yesterday, today evidently suffering from influenza. Mother also not well, & neither able to dine at Harringtons as intended, this (Monday) being kept as Christmas day.

Dec. 27. Very doubtful whether to go to New York

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or not, owing to father's state, but eventually
decided to go, Dr Blackadder stating that
he thought it advisable, Leave by 6.50 Am
train.

Dec. 28. Arrive in Que. about 8 Am. & drive to
Hotel Endicott, with Ami. Day spent at
meetings of Scot. Soc. of Am. in Columbia
University. Dined with Prof. J. J. Stevenson,
together with other officers of the S.S.A.

Dec. 29. Meetings during the day & in eveg.
of the Annual dinner, at Hotel Legerst, all
passing off very well. Prof. Stevenson is toast-
master & called upon we sent for a reply,
which was rather unexpected.

Dec. 30. Meetings again today. Got my short
paper on Land slips on Rivière Blanche off this
Am. & spend part of Am. in Am. Mus. of
Nat. History, with Prof. Bicknell, Prof.
Osborn & others. Day unusually warm
for the season & numerous all buildings
are apparently hot. Leave by 6.25 Am train
for Montreal.

Dec. 31. Temperature about zero on reaching
Montreal, but very little snow, streets

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almost bare. Found waters somewhat improved in University St., but father still in Fed. Leave by 4:15 train for Ottawa; arriving there somewhat late, about 9 P.M. very cold.

Jan. 1. Sunday (1899.) a very cold day. Feeling quite unwell with a cold or influenza or something of the kind. Got on to Club in morning & cupped myself to the fire there all day.

Jan 2. Still cold but muddying. Not feeling up much I did not attend the G.G.'s reception, or attempt any calls. Got down to office for a couple of hours in P.M. to look over amount of work there. Florence, it seems, overtaken by influenza yesterday - today somewhat better.

Jan 9. Called on Minister about Oia C. concerning temporary employees also to show him letter from Osann, who is doubtful about accepting appointment as lithologist at the salary fixed & under the conditions.

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Jan 10. Talk this am with Mr H. Fielder,
who has returned from N.S., about his work
Call from a Mr R. Feetham who
comes with letters from General Ferguson.
Call from Mr L. B. Jones, Sup. of Libs
& Jams. Dep. with Cook & others. Very
very anxious to borrow our work or
for exhibition at some spot in Boston
at which the province is to be represented.
I had entirely to demur at the idea.

Jan 11. Something rather like Cambridge
yesterday & today rather crippling me.

Jan 18. Called on Minister about Estimates
etc, but finding him very busy, postponed
consideration. Asked his support in the
matter of opposing removal of specimens from
Museum. He concurred in my position.
To Hon Mr Scott, about certain statements
in report in press (Part 5) which he wants
altered. To Queen's Printer obt. this &
down. wop etc.

Jan 19. Called this am. on Dep. Min. of
Justice to consult him about amendment to
Geol. Survey act, removing the difficulty

read into it Calyear in the matter
of protection etc by the Auditor General.

Jan 21. For meeting called by Hon. Mr.
Fisher at 11 am. which occupied till after
1 P.M. Meeting of board forward for the
Paris Exhibition preparations. P.M. at
Office.

Jan 22. Sunday. Had D.J. Hembury
to lunch at the Club. He brought in some
of his photos in the north & show over.
He is returning to Hudson Bay on 21 in
a few days.

Jan 23. Another meeting of the board
from 11 am till 2 P.M. - using up the
greater part of the day. From still
another meeting called for 4 P.M. I
excused myself in order to get letters
etc at office attended to. Call from
Joe Foster who travelled with me several
years in B.C. as packer etc. Sent
the complete W.S. of Survey Report for
98 to the Printing Bureau this am.

Jan 24. Meetings of Advisory Board,
11 am to lunch time & 3 Pm. to 5.30.
Evening & Conversazione of the Ottawa Field
Naturalists Club, where exhibited some
Lantern slides of R. Blanche Lavalep
as part of the entertainment.

Jan 25. To Printing Bureau about work
in hand. Working up arrears in Office.
Interview of Fairbault, Barlow &
McInnes with a memorandum to
present to Minister about their Terrestrial.
Call from Hon Mr Fiske's private
Secretary Leving material for pamphlet
to be printed for Canadian Comm.
at Paris Exh. of 1900. Material to
be revised & taken to printer, Mr F.
& see going out of town.

Jan 26. To Queen's Printer with
the above matter this am.

Jan 27. Talk with Dr Bell abt. his
work, particularly the advisability of
Completing reports on Northway R &
Hudson Strait for publication. W.
Called in this evg. after 5 Pm.
very cold day.

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Jan 28. Called on this P.M. by a
deputation consisting of Rep. Macoun,
Dr. Ellis & Mr. Fletcher, representing staff,
with Memorial about status, pay etc.

Jan 30. Called at Minister's office
but found him busy & unable to attend to
estimates etc. He approved of draft
amendment to G.S. bill, which may now be
put in print.

Jan 31. Called on Hon. Mr. Fielding
by request of our Minister about geol.
work wished for in Queens & Shelburne
Cos. Saw Mr. Come in this P.M. talk for
increase of salary if possible.

Feb 1. Messrs. Macoun, Ellis &
Fletcher came in this morning for
a further talk in connection with their
Memorial. Subsequently forwarded Mem. to
the Minister.

Sent J. F. Kelle's the sum of \$1000
on his note at 3 months.

Feb. 3. Called at Minister's office this A.M.
but found him engaged & shortly leaving for
N.Y. Left Messrs. Ains & Sawbe's letters

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Applying for increased Salary with
her Colleague to show to Minister & return.

Feb 4. To Montreal this P.M., returning
to Ottawa by morning train
Monday Feb. 6.

Tuesday, Feb. 7. Call from Mrs W.D. Scott,
of Advisory Board, Exhibition. He is
about to leave for the N.W. & B.C. Call
from Lynch.

Wednesday Feb. 8. Call from H.J. Cambie
& Sir Sanford Fleming. Call from Williams
between 5 & 6. Dined at Sir Sanford's
with Cambie, H.J. & Waleod, Thompson.

Feb. 9. Talk with Brock today about plans
of his work

Feb. 10. Call on Secretary General & at Photo.
Office about slides etc. Call on Minister
Chiefly with reference to W. Lawson's
Cal application for appointment. Minister
permits authorities me to write to Lawson
offering appointment at \$1050. Do so this
P.M. Talk with Mr James about the
necessity of completing his report on Seine R.
etc.

Feb. 13. Meeting of exhibition board in
offg of U. of Agriculture 11 am to 1.30
& again 4 pm to 5.30 - taking up
work of day

Feb. 14. Call upon Mr Jardine of the
Board & showed him round the Museum,
talk about specimens for exhibition & arrangements
of various kinds - occupying a good deal of
pm.

Feb. 16. Call on Minister this am.
about charges made by McCord
Secy ^{Clerk} of Councils in Bill to
revise the Geol. Survey Act. Then
call at McCord's office but did not find
him. He called on me later when
I explained the trouble & difficulty in
regard to his rendering.

Feb. 17. To Printing Bureau about
charges made for engraving maps.

Feb. 19. Asked by Col. Foster this evg.
to go a drive with him at his new house
in evg. which I did, somewhat unwillingly,
but enjoyed it on the whole.

Feb. 24. at Ptj. Bureau about work
this am. Call from Prof. Ramsay Wright of
Toronto & get him to promise to dine
with us tonight with J. Fletcher & Mrs
Whiteaves.

Feb. 27. made a break this Pm & drove
round to call on Mr Holton, Mrs Drummond
& at Fort. House. Letter from W. Lawson
saying that Pomy taken another engagement
he could not now accept the proposed
appointment to this staff. Very disappointing
as I do not know where to look for
another good man.

March 1. Call from Capt. Deville
this Pm. alt. plans submitted to him
re hydraulic ditch for Klondike Creek
Levee & Pm. for Montreal

March 2. attending meetings of Mining
Institute at Montreal. In evening, showed
series of lantern slides of mines etc.

March 3. Back this eve. to Ottawa
& found a heap of business waiting
attention. Letter & report on work
from Low, dated St. Whole R., Hudson Bay
Dec. 30. 98 + vice Lewis mining.

March 4. Finance Dept. Calling for our estimates yesterday evg. Colled on Minister with memos. of proposed estimates & had half an hour talk with him, agreeing on what is to be submitted. He is willing to do his best to get some increases & promotions this year if he can, following lines recommended by me. Thinks that new building will also be gone on with, but sub-committee on this subject ~~has~~ been unable as yet to give attention to decision of what is to be included in the building scheme or to the site. Called on Courtney to tell him that estimates would now be sent in almost immediately. Had Marshall back in P.M. to put estimates into shape, but could not arrange to see the Minister until the drop till Monday evg.

Capt. Deville & Messrs. McFellinary & Greer called by appointment at 2 P.M. the latter two gentlemen interested in large water-ditch scheme in Klondike which they wish we to understand to be able to explain it to the Minister.

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March 6. Called on Minister with copy of Settimotes which he approved & which I then took to the Courtyard. Called upon by two young ladies, members of "Way Court Club" who ask me to give the 'Club' a talk or lecture which I conditionally promised.

March 7. To Printing Bureau etc. am. about work. Call from J. Flecker in P.m.

March 8. Called on Minister of Agriculture this am. about exhibition matters. Had W. to dine with me this eve. Afterwards had a long talk with Prof. Woron, from Toronto.

March 9. Dinner given by members of Rideau Club to His Excellency etc. J.W. several tonight.

March 10. Meeting at 3 P.m. till after 6 P.m. of Paris Commissioners in office of Min. of Agriculture.

March 11. Meetings continued much of the evening & afternoon. Dined in the evening at Government House.

Long talk with Supoll over Res. alt.
affairs in general as relating to his
Section.

Dr Bell is much exercised over supposed
criticisms of his work by Law in his
report now in the press. Assumes that he
should by right have personal copies
sent to him before publication. Assumes
further that no adverse criticisms would be
permitted.

March 16. Hon. Mr. Jarte, Messrs. Joice & Ewart called at museum this am. & took over the building, with view to new building. I was unfortunately away, calling at Sul. Dept. ^{part of} Call from W. & Florence this Am. Opening of Parliament. At State dinner at Sat. House.

Saturday. 18. March. at Dracery room' in Senate this evg. a very well arranged function.

March 20. Hours of proof, sorry that of Sunday Report, suddenly sent in by printers.

March 21. Meeting of Exhibition Comms. at 11 am, lasting till 2 Pm. Too little system in view of taking of business. Ewart comes down with new plans for the proposed building.

March 22. Annual meeting of Rideau Club this Pm.

March 23. Call from Mrs J. J. Haly & daughter this Pm. Mrs H. was, except Mrs Baupar, bishop's wife, first white woman to reach ~~Canada~~ ^{Yukon}. Her lived in Yukon Dist. some years. First met her

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a Mrs Healy at head of Chilkooot Sulet
when we came out from the interior in
1887 - Mrs Healy, Keeping Store & stopping
place there, where we staid. He is now
connected with Transportation etc Co. on
Yakona & appears to be doing well. Mrs H.
dressed in a high style of art, with most
expensive furs etc. She has a long history on
the frontier, but is a very kind hearted
soul of woman.

Meeting of Exhibition Commission at 4 P.M.,
leaving at 6.30 P.M. Back to office in
evening to discuss 'various' matters with
Mrs. Fross, who has unfortunately
arrived here at this most busy moment.
March 24. Left this eve. for Toronto
at 10.35

March 25. arrive Toronto 7 A.M. & find
Mrs B.S. Walker at station to receive us,
To Mrs Walker's house. In the morning
to see A. Blue's office & had a long
talk with him on exhibition matters.
He seems now ready enough to
do what he can. Intended 6/10/6

Litho. office, but found I would not
have time to do so & keep engagement
with Mr Walker, with whom I dined
at the Club. Rem. to Canadian Inst.
to see the preparations made for the evening
evening gave a talk to a very good
audience, (considering the stormy night)
on sets of mining veins from different
parts of Canada. Supper party at
Walker's Coler, university professors,
officials & students etc. - 14 in all.

March 26. Sunday. Reading proof
part of this morning. Rem. with
Walker visited Prof. Coleman's inter-
glacial deposits ponds at School of
Science. Then to Biological Dept.
& looked over museum with Prof.
Rowley Wright. Tea at Walker's.
Supper at Dr MacCollum's & leave for
Ottawa 9.35 P.M.

March 27. Arrive Ottawa early this
A.M.

March 28. Meeting Geol. Committee 9.30
A.M. till 7 P.M., at office of Min. of Ag.

April 1. In Montreal this Am.

Apr. 3. Early Monday. Return from Montreal this am. Clare is to leave for England tomorrow, via Boston. Had W. to dinner at Club, this eve.

April 6. Thursday. Got telegram from Mother at noon stating that she would arrive by 6.30 train. Met her at train & took her to Gilman House where I had secured food room. Dined at Hotel & then called on W & Florence - surprising them.

Apr. 7. Dined again with Mother at Hotel this eve. Object here really to try to arrange for change & rest for W., who seems in a very weak state.

Apr. 8. Spent part of Am. with Mother. Eve. had Mrs B.E. Walker of Toronto & Mrs Whiteaves to dinner at Club.

Apr. 9. Sunday. Dined in middle of day with Mother at Hotel.

Apr. 10. In Am. Called for Mother & took her to the Home for a short time. Then saw her off on 4:15 Am. train for Montreal. Called at Printing Bureau this Am.

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Apr. 14. Dined this evg. with the speaker,
Sir J. Edgar. A small & non-parliamentary
party.

Apr. 15. Had Pelham Edgar to dinner with
me at club & Jos. Pope to meet him.

Apr. 16. Sunday. W. dined with me this
evg. Talked over the matter of his proposed
application for three months leave of absence
on account of health.

Apr. 17. Called to attend a meeting of
Exhibition Commrs. at 12.30, which lasted
till 2.30. Sent for by Minister in P.M.
at house of Commrs. Laurier anxious to
get young man appointed on the Survey
who has had a medical training, but
does not profess to know any geology or
even to be a draftsman. Told Mr. Sifton that
I really did not know what we could do
with such a man, unless he would take
temporary employment in the field at a low
rate of pay. He concurs that such an app't.
would be quite undesirable & I hope that the
matter will rest there. Took the opportunity
to speak of various business matters,

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proposed appointment of Jewellin, possible
loss of Dennis to whom another appointment
has been offered. Field work Plans etc.

Ap. 18. Called on Murray & Jewell to
ascertain what surveys he is looking
next summer in Yukon Dist. in connection
with prep work there. Arranged some work for
exhibition with the ^{Yukon} Grants Works.

Ap. 19. Met Mr. Robertson this am.
& spent mostly am. making a
division of space in Canadian building
for Paris Exhibition. Got in a dozen
copies of Summary Report for 1898
& sent half a dozen to Minister in
order that he may refer to Report, hummer,
Calls this am.

Ap. 20. Called on Murray, premier of
Yukon at Russell this am. about
exhibition matters. Explained situation
to him. He agrees to do all he can
& will authorize Jewellin to pick up
up to \$1000. Met Henry & Dr Craik
at Club this am. Called on Robertson &
finally arranged space so far as we
are concerned.

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Apr. 21. Meeting of Paris Exhib. Commission
at Fister's office 11 am. to 2 Pm. Visit
from Principal Peterson from Montreal in
Pm. Visit from Burk & McKeller of
Post offices & others. Continued working
in Evg. from 8 to 11.30 Pm. William
called in at office between 5 to 6 Pm.

Apr. 22. Several callers this am.,
occupying most of time. Working
Ophelia among them. Talks with
Exhib. Commrs Jardine & Jelwood in
Pm.

Apr. 25. Bernard H. turned up this morning
coming with Fister to club for dinner. Came
to form a deputation to wait on Govt. off-
duties on apparatus etc.

Apr. 26. Estimates for C.S. list of feet. Sunny
passed last night in the house. Called at
Ministers office this am., especially to
recommend McEvoy for promotion, as
felt sure that if left out in this, after what has
occurred, would be disgraced. Talked over
other matters of business which have been
accumulating, Jewellins, W. Lawson etc.

Telegraphed to Lawson in D.C. as a
Sentry (last chance that he may care to
join the Survey.

Apr. 27. Called on Commr. of Customs
about possible employment of Walthams during
the Survey, also on Auditor General
about the same & other matters. Called on
Lieutenant Chief architect about Museum
plans & saw the latest elevations.

Call from Pike on his way west.

Talk with Bell off. Lieut. General's work
He has been applying to Minister (as letter
told me) to go to Yukon to which I rather
demean. Bell himself brought this up. Told
him Minister had authorized me to
offer him work to be done on Ft. St. L.

This on a short season Michipstou &
print his far behind reports.

Had Pike & a friend of his to dinner
in the eve.

Apr. 28. Called on Queen's Printer
about work in hand. To get setting of
Vol. 8 started again etc.

Apr. 29. Calls upon Mr Leckie & a
Mr Jones, among others. Jones proposes
going to Hudson Bay, prospecting &
staking claims which states have been
located by friends of his on E. side of Bay.
May 1. Tried to get Minister this time but
failed. Caught him at his room in
the House at 3 P.M. & got permission to
offer appointment to Swillem (Lawson
having finally declined) Telegropped to
Swillem & informed Mr Cannell that
G. would join him for work in Yukon
(altho' refused).

May 3. Met the Minister of Arrangement
at his room at the House at 8 P.M.
& had nearly an hours talk on matters
of business, all more or less satisfactory
& enabling action of different kinds to be
taken. Bell has been pushing to be sent to
Yukon. Explained situation & how unfair
this would be to Mr Cannell who has been
doing the work there, with several years experience.
Minister does not show any great disposition
to fall in with Bell's views & eventually told

me to arrange the matter - "I will not interfere
with you." Suggester made of the appointment
of Mining expert to the Dept. of Int. I do not
think this would be a good move in interests
of Survey which the Minister has not yet
learned to see in that way, but did not think
it advisable to push objection strongly as
the project may fall through

May 4. Called on Surveyor-General alt. possible
Surveys in Yukon this season

May 5. Call on Queen's printer this pm.
about delay in reports. Went up to
see Courtney this pm at his request.
He wanted information on various points
connected with staff, estimates etc. Her
shadows an intention on part of govt. to
transfer Es. to some other Minister's dept.

May 6. Saturday. Meeting at Fisher's office
called for 8.30 pm. (by exhibit. Councils)
finally decided we not to go to Speaker
Edgar's large reception.

May 8. Wrote Bell a note asking him
to reply today to proposition for work on
Est. Shore L. He called in after 5 pm. &

W. & F called in today. He just
leaving for Watford on 3 wos. Hope
to recover if possible from his present
run down condition.

is very undecided about it. Harps on his
wish to go to the West Coast. Called at
Major Fountain's office this Am. & went with
him Robinson & Scott to see Cases of which
samples are in fishery exhibition. & saw
the same in Quebec & might be used for
exhibition.

May 10. Stowed Bell wire Sect. last night
from C.C. Chipman re time of steamer for
party going to Gt. Slave L. He has ever
apparently made up his mind to undertake
the work & at my suggestion writes Chipman
ordering supplies to be sent ahead. Spoke
about Caves probably to be obtained at
Edmonton & wired Cowie asking.

May 11. Stowed B. Cowie's reply &
arranged to wire ordering 2 Caves to
be held for his use. "Ascension day"

May 12. Called at Minister's office
this Am. with list of applications for
positions etc. Saw org. Collier, but left
list with him. Visited granite works
about stores for exhibition (Paris) Pedestals
& Columns etc. Dine at Hon. R.R. Dobbell's

May 12. Got down a list from
Accountant's office of men to be employed
- 7 assistants - at least 2 were than
I can reasonably place & want young
dogs about whom I have no particulars
re qualifications.

May 13. Meeting of Exhib. Comm. 11 am
til 1.30. In evening called at Mr. Saffin's
office at the House & lucky enough to get a
few minutes conversation re arrangement
of field parties etc - clearing up a
lot of undecided points.

May 16. Called at P.C. office to get
forms of oaths etc for fulfillment, to be
sent out by McCornell.

May 18. Called on Sawyer - several other am.
about photos. for transparencies for exhibition
etc.

May 19. Called on Minister to see if
I could dispense with some of the
"assistants" but found that this could not
be done.

Oct 22. Dr Harrington turned up this
evening after dinner for the meeting of

Robt C. Lowman. Went with him to call on
Florence

May 23. For P.S.C. meeting, then to Office
a met Bernard at Club for lunch.
Rm to Office & then again to meeting.
D. Adams to dinner.

May 24. For meeting of Section IV this
am. & in Am. to garden party of Keppers.
Bailey & W. G. Francis to dinner.

May 25. Meeting of Section & several
meeting this am., also in Am. Section
meeting - closing work. Had Principal
Sordani to lunch & showed him round
the Museum afterwards. He is anxious
that I should go to Forest to study to
receive degrees which the University
proposes to confer on me.

May 26. Arranging work with Bailey
today. Calls upon Profs Cot & Rothford
& many others - very broken time & little
chance of clearing off arrears of correspondence
etc.

June 1. Called on Minister this am.
about various minor affairs. Called

also on Deville st. transparencies
& on Courtenay about 9 a.m. from
Michaud. Call this evg. from Max. Bell
who is staying at with Dr Bell's staff.

June 2. Meeting of Exhibition Comm. this am.

June 3. To Montreal this evg.

June 5. Return from Montreal this am. Call on Bourin at st. Wollf's papers & printing. Call from Mr. A.S. Clouet of Rouland who offers to assist in getting over the exhibition.

June 7. Meeting of Exhibition Comm. this am.

June 8. To Toronto by night-train to appear on Friday (tomorrow) to receive degree of L.L.D. from the University.

June 9. To Queen's Hotel. In am. Went to office of Blue, Director Bureau of Mines, hoping to see him about some exhibition matters. He, however, was out of town. To Pavilion at 2.15, Convocation beginning at 2.30 Vice-Chancellor Melock in the Chair. The morning

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degree - giving the first item in programme.
3 L.L. De Selp, Mrs Hartman & Rev.
Principal Grant of Queen's College. My
introduction by the Hon G.W. Ross. Made
a short reply. After conversation to
Jordan party at Principal Souders's
Return to Ottawa by 9.35 P.M.
train.

June 10. Arrive early this eve. at
Ottawa. Found a telegram from
Wiles stating that Foster, Wether & the
Harringtons had arrived there all
well. yesterday & the day before.

June 12. Met Hon. Mr. Fildes on way
to office. He asked questions about
iron & iron duties & enjoyed me in
conversation some time. At office Secretary
Parker, followed by Hon J. Cortogian
& several others, occupying most of morning.
After lunch called at Dept. of Agriculture,
& on Courtney about 0 in C. for Richard
payment.

June 13. Talk with Queen's Printer
today about Down. Wops - also
about slowness of printing severely.

Page 12. Talk and discuss details
of what has been done up to date
and what is to be done in future.
The first part of the paper is
a short note on the committee
and the second part is a list of
the work done up to date. The
third part is a list of the work
to be done in future. The fourth
part is a list of the work done
in the past. The fifth part is a
list of the work done in the
future. The sixth part is a list
of the work done in the past.

June 15: Weekday of Exh. Comm. at office of M. of Ag. this Am. Saw Florence & family (except Victor) off to West at Station this P.M.

June 16. Called on Minister & got his assent to paying whatever expenses to Weekday of A.A.S., of Arch W. is President of Geol. Section. Also obt. Michaud - the question is if I can send him off if desired & how many M.P.'s feelings must be consulted.

June 17. Called on Minister this Am. obt. Prof. Bickmore's visit on Monday.

June 19. Monday. Prof. Bickmore of Am. Mus. of Nat. Hist., N.Y. turned off this Am from Montreal as per appointment made by telegraph. His particular purpose to get the revision of the mineral collection now being made for Paris.

Had Saunders & Minister Sefton asked to meet him at lunch, but S. did not turn up. In P.M. went with Bickmore & Saunders to Chief Architect's office plans of building, to H.C. where he saw

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Sipton & Lourier. To H. Topley
about some photos. No promises
made about the Collection.

June 21. Dr Bell got off at last
today for St. John's.

June 22. Called on Minister about
claim being made by J. Reilly whose
employment was countermanded last
Spring. Also mentioned Richard,
who is pushing to be sent into the field,
although only employed temporarily as
a draftsman. Minister referred by letters,
but says he will not intervene in the

matter. ^{June 24} Saturday. Day of conference with Victor.

June 27. Call with White on Queen's
Printer about Winter & Down. Wop.
Had long talk on the subject. Had
Mr H.C. Thomson (who came with
letter from Lord Aberdeen) H.C.P. Woolley
& Creighton for dinner at the Club.

June 28. Another interview with Queen's
Printer re Wop, at his request.

June 29. Called in this am. at Queen's
Printers, meeting White there. Talk with

Wastner & Gliddon & Down. Wastner,
L. P., L. P. brought a new draft
agreement to me for approval. Went up
to the house for a couple of hours this
evening. Debate going on about the Yukon
Scandals.

July 6. Called on L. P. this am &
got him to promise to go on with getting
the report (Vol X). Up to the House at
8 P.M. to intercept Mr Sifton being
called at office several times unsuccessfully.
Obtained an interview & got his
approval of purchase of Aaronson's Indian
Collection at \$2500. Am to write a report
for his written approval. Teletyped obt.
purchase of Collection to Aaronson & Dr
Newcomb - Newcomb being told we that
there were other purchasers in view.

July 8. Call this am. from Mr H.A.
Bryant, Pres. of Phil. Geog. Soc., on
his way to the Rockies Banquet
with Wilcox & others. Also call
from Mrs Griesbach of St. Saskatchewan.

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July 13. Meeting of Exh. Comm. this
A.M.

July 14. Estimates (Supplementary)
brought down last night do not contain
anything for new building, although
this had practically been planned. Very
disappointing. Call from H. J. Cowrie
of Vancouver this P.M.

July 20. Have an hour talk with
J. Pope before 6 P.M. about boundary
matters & documents.

July 21. Managed to catch Mr. Sifton
in his room at the House at 8 P.M.,
after being on the most work of the
week. Explained condition of boring
& stoppage of work at Victoria. He does
not see any objection to paying Fraser the
amt. to bring back his machinery
& letting him deal with it - the Survey
being our responsibility for the returning
this machinery. Showed him also
papers (Newcomb's letters) relating to
purchase of Aaronson's Indian Collection.
~~July 22. Call on David Packer.~~

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July 25. Mr Belloc and Mr. P. for Ottawa
again brought the matter of Grant for Museum
cup in the House & read a letter on the
subject which I had written to him (although
without pledging that he would use it in that
way.) So promise, however, could be
retracted from the Govt. Called on Zeeb's
Printer today.

July 26. Meeting of Exhibition Committee at
11:30 this am.

Aug. 1. Telegrams of Congratulation on
my birthday from Metis.

Aug. 2. Meeting of Exhibition Committee
in P.M.

Aug 5. Out this morn. with Senator Swastell
to Victoria Park.

Aug. 9. Frazer (W.A.) turned up today
about settlement of acct. for boring etc.
He is naturally a good deal disappointed
with the result & wants Commission
in the matter of payment which I do not
know that I can make.

Aug 10. Further discussion with
Frazer this am.

Aug. 11. Called at Paris Comm. office,
then at Chief Architects' off. Cases for
exhibition & asking to have plans of
proposed new bldg. sent down to vote
points already made that they may with-
out when the subject again comes up.
Rev. & Queen's Pavilion obt. a receipt for
Exposers.

Aug. 14. Prof. Osann arrived this
morning. Spent much of the morning
with him. In P.M. he went out for
a short trip with Dr. Ellis.

Aug. 15. Meeting of Exhib. Commission
all P.M. & again in Evg.

Aug. 16. Saw Mr. Sifton obt. the
project of getting photo-topographical
details for Klondike for model for Paris.
The matter was postponed before. Promised
to see Capt. Deville as soon as he got
back. Enclosed a memo. afterwards to
the Minister on the subject.

Aug. 17. Left this P.M. at 4.20 for
Little Venice to see the people there
as they promised.

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Aug. 18. Arrived at Metis in time
for breakfast. Found Foster much as
usual, Walker & all the rest well.
William has just gone to Foster St. &
is on his way back to Ottawa.

Aug 19-20-21. at Metis.

Aug. 22. Left this P.M. for Ottawa
Fleet & Peters on the train.

Aug. 23. Arrive in Montreal 6.30 am.
Breakfast at Puce's Hotel. Arrive
Ottawa 12.15. Call at Deville's office
but find he has not yet returned. Great
accumulation of letters & questions in
the office.

Aug 24. Visit from Bealy & Lantier &
two delegates from Finland looking for
lands for Finnish settlers.

Aug. 25. Another visit this morn. from
Mr A. Borgström, one of the delegates.
Call twice at Minister's office & after a long
wait manage to see him in P.M. He is
very away tonight for some time. Speak of
Foster's acct. arrival of Caron's
Indian Collection & amt. due on it etc.
but very briefly. Get telegram from Anna

At Metis to effect that Foster is seriously ill. Try to communicate with W., but fail to do so.

Aug. 26. Call on W. at his office this am. Get another telegram at 7.30 P.m. Slight improvement, but evidently very serious. Have a talk with W. in P.m. & reply.

Aug. 27. ~~Sunday~~, Had Prof. Osann, who came in from field yesterday to lunch, also W.

Aug 28. Ship on which Rankin is being taken reported yesterday from Cape Weydolev. I wired to him at Luebel & also to Anna at Metis. Saw what Foster accounts in regard to Foster today.

Aug 29. Got telegram from R. this am. Also telegram from Anna, saying condition is much the same. Meeting of Paris Commissioners at 2 P.m., lasting a couple of hours. Another very hot day but clouding this evening.

Sept. 5. W. Sends note today of continued slow improvement in father's case. News recd. from Florence.

Call from New Belgian Consul-General, E. Donner. Trying to get Wolles in such shape that I can spend a few days with Adams & Barlow in the field.

Sept. 6. Had about an hour talk with J. Pope this am. on the Wenus. He has prepared (confidential) on the Alaska boundary question. I had read this over carefully on Monday & prepared a short Wenus. Discussed that with Pope & handed it to him. He leaves today for England with Sir S. Davies & King. My chief criticism of the Wenus is that it practically abandons the "BC" contention or that making the line run up Clarence Strait in place of Portland Inlet. This seems to me to be well enough founded to be pressed - perhaps on the whole more tenable than the claim of Canada to heads of islets.

Sept. 7. Leave Ottawa by 11 am train
for Leavenworth to visit parts of N.

Haskings (Halibuton sheet of geol. work)
where Adams & Barlow have been at
work for several years endeavouring
to unravel relations of Haskings &
Greenville Series etc. They are anxious
that I should look over the rocks & I
am very glad to have the opportunity.
Barlow joined company at Carleton
Junction. Stage from Leavenworth to
Wadole, where stayed for the night.

Sept. 8. Leave by stage for Eldorado at
7:15 am, get train there & go on to
Quillbridge where Adams turned up.
Spent the day driving east up the
Haskings Road, examining rocks etc
& arriving at Silverton, where spent
the night at hotel.

Sept. 9. Train from Silverton to terminus
at Coe Hill, where found Adams's asst.
(Seringer) Camp, & went a team
& horse & buggy. Lunch in camp
& then examined Coe Hill divide. Then

followed team outward to where
Camp pitched not far from "Rose Island"
P.O.

Sept. 10. Sunday. Remained all day in
Camp, such being the custom in this
Country. A beautiful fine day.

Sept. 11. Threatening warning, which before
long turned to very heavy rain. We luckily
managed to get refuge for ourselves &
both troops in a deserted barn, where,
the rain continuing, we stayed for lunch.
Fired for a time in the Am., but soon very
heavy rain came on again. We arrived
at Kid's place, near Pawdash P.O.
Went & covered with mud. Had a
small run away with the buggy, but
pulled up fortunately without serious
damage. Camped in a field.

Sept. 12. On to Newmarket Rd. Crossing
flag station on the B & O Ry, seeing
locks by the way. Camped just behind
the station, which deserted at present.
Occasional showers today.

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Sept. 13. Camp broken up. Adams sending
Wren & sig's stock & he & Barlow
returning to ~~Montreal~~ Montreal & Ottawa
respectively. Fly the train & after a
try broken journey to Junction, Lindsay
(where dinner) & Peterborough, got the
midnight C.P.R. train for Ottawa.

Sept. 14. Arrive Ottawa, where find
lunch requiring attention. Call from
Mr. Thompson, who was here early in
the summer & has been to Labrador
Coast. Have beer & drives with us
in the evening & discuss various
matters at length.

Sept. 15. Call from Rev. E. P. Powell
of Rock Ferry who brings a card
from Eva & had a friend with him.
Had them to lunch & then took them
over the parliament buildings etc.
They leave by the 4:15 train for Montreal.

Sept. 16. Call this evg. from Prof. Holmes
of N. Carolina, interested in mica

Sept. 17. Mr. Holmes to lunch, call
at Russell to look for Osann, who
has returned, but found him out.

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Sept. 18. Prof. Osann for dinner
a had a long chat with him.

Sept. 20. Prof. Osann again dined
with me this eve. He leaves for Wootton
& Millhampton tomorrow morning.

Sept. 21. Working of Exhibition Commrs.
at noon & again in the afternoon.

Sept. 22. Rankine arrived this evening just
as I was about to dine. He had written
but the letter had been delayed.

Sept. 23. Had William to dine with
Rankine & self at Club this evening.

Sept. 25. Rankine returned to Wootton this
P.M.

Sept. 27. Called on Capt. Deville & Fopley
about photos, etc. this Am.

Sept. 28. With Commrs. Gourdean & Scott
to McCarthy's studio to see figures he is
making with intention of offering to exhibition.
Spent early morning with W.F. Robertson
Promiscuous Linguist from B.C., talking
over the B.C. exhibit with him & showing
him what we are doing. He is evidently
instructed to support the position for a

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separate Provincial space, but I think
he saw that this is not at any rate
now feasible. He left for the coast this P.M.

Very pleasant dinner party given by Dr.
Wentworth to 12 at the Club.

Sept. 29. Called on Col. Anderson *Marine*
Dept. about writing article on the St. Lawrence
for Keltie, on Ewart Chf. architect etc.
Supports in cases for Paris etc. At Commers.
office. etc. a very wet day.

Sept 30. Asked by Gen Dobell whom I
met in the Club to lunch with party
including certain delegates from Wales.
This completely spoilt my P.M., which I
had a lot of work to do in.

Oct. 1. Sunday. Spent most of P.M. in
office, clearing up arrears. Got wire
from Hon. Mr Foster today (Wales news)
replying affirmatively to my suggestion
that Newfoundland should be invited to
exhibit minerals in our (Canadian)
space at Paris.

Oct 2. wrote Howley of Nfld Geol. Surv
on above.

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Oct 5. After several days endeavoring to get work & correspondence in shape, managed to leave by 1.25 Am train for Port Arthur, as I had arranged with Mr. Jones of Survey to do if possible. C. Phillips Wolley with two friends of his Colorado & Col. Searn on the train. Also found Prof. Rimpfley on his way to Port Arthur in connection with some iron claims in which it seems he is interested.

Oct. 6. Arrived at Port Arthur this evening & met Mr. Jones there.

Oct. 7. Got team this morning & drove with Mr. Jones to Murillo station & on to Kakopella Falls on the Kaminitiguia. Spent most of the day there, examining & photographing 'contact' of the Kaminitiguia with old Precambrian rocks. Splendid warm weather, like Indian summer. Rev. Gordon who I had met at Water's not long ago, & his wife, turned up, having driven from Fort William to the falls. Got back just before dark to Murillo, where put up for the night at a farm house recognized as a 'stopping place' very modest but clean & comfortable enough.

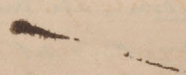
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Oct. 8. Sunday. Left after breakfast & drove
back to Harbour Hotel at Port Arthur.
Another very fine day, but the woods very
autumnal looking, owing to some frosts which
have killed the leaves everywhere before this time.
In P.M. worked a couple of miles eastward
along Ry. track & spent some time examining
cutting beyond Current R & looking (in vain)
for fossils in Amimikie rocks there. Evening
trying to arrange for boat or launch to examine
contacts along shore of Sturdee Bay to the Eastward.

Oct. 9. Find great difficulty in getting transport
required for the work intended. No available
launches & after finding suitable boat, Dickson
spent most of day looking for its owner. When
eventually found, rain was commencing &
storm signal up, late in the afternoon, with
no show for a start today. Very tedious &
annoying delay. Got telegram from Amimikie yesterday
from Petlicodiak N.S. asking if he should
return to Ottawa or wait for me & replied to
it this morning telling him to return.

Oct 10. another disson. The man supposed to be
secured with boat does not turn up, though
we are all ready to leave. Most annoying unpleasant.

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Oct. 11. Yesterday evening accepted an invitation from Mr McKenzie (of McKenzie & Mann) to go on special train to Gen Flint S. at head of the Pt. Arthur & Duluth Ry, & this morning, with him, Col. S. Hughes U.S., Tracer & Chawlers of Pictou Iron works, Mr Sumner, Bank of Port Arthur & a couple of others, leave at 7 Am. The line has been almost abandoned for the past ten years & beyond Stanley, where the new Rainy S. line turns off is in very bad shape. Ran slowly, so that the 85 odd miles with delays & stops & return party took time after 8 P.M. to accomplish. Stopped before end of line & made an excursion of about a mile into the bush to see a supposed iron deposit. Dinner very good & neatly served at Gen Flint S. Rainy & stormy in the evening when we got back to Pt. Arthur.

Oct. 12. Had Indian Paravase & friend with boat engaged for this morning through the kindness of Mr Jewell, Indian Agent, but an early gale, with frequent rain, rendered it impossible to get away.

Oct. 13. Never this morning, though storm signal



still shown. Got away about 9 am. & ran
eastward along the coast, skimming 'contacts'
but with rather disappointing results as nearly
everything is covered or concealed by low fogs.
Camped in the evening on Sawpit I, Annotchak
Is. Panasse is an old man of 80 or
thereabouts, a very good type of Indian who
was with S. J. Dawson in former years & on
Wolsey's Red R. Expedition. A comfortable
sleep camp on the lee side of the island in
brush.

Oct. 14. Left on return to Port Arthur quite
early this morning, having been out since
before sunrise. Wind sometimes strong, but
very variable & very cold. In the boat without
intermission till about 2 P.M., when reach
Port Arthur & chilled almost to the bone.
A fine bright day, however. Mr. Dunes left
in the afternoon to clean up his Surveyor's work
at Spence.

Oct. 15. Train changes running time today
& consequently very uncertain. First promise
about 8 am. but eventually arrived
about 5 P.M. A weary wait. Col. S. Hughes
M.B. left with us. Among passengers

find Dr & Mrs Schaffer of
Philadelphia also I had met
last year at Glacier Ho. A very
staring day with heavy S.E. gale on
the lake.

Oct. 16. Travelling Eastward. Very
fine weather. Arrive Ottawa
at last about midnight.

Oct. 18. Interview with Minister, who
is about leaving for the West. Arranged
with him for Baclaw to work in Montreal
during winter.

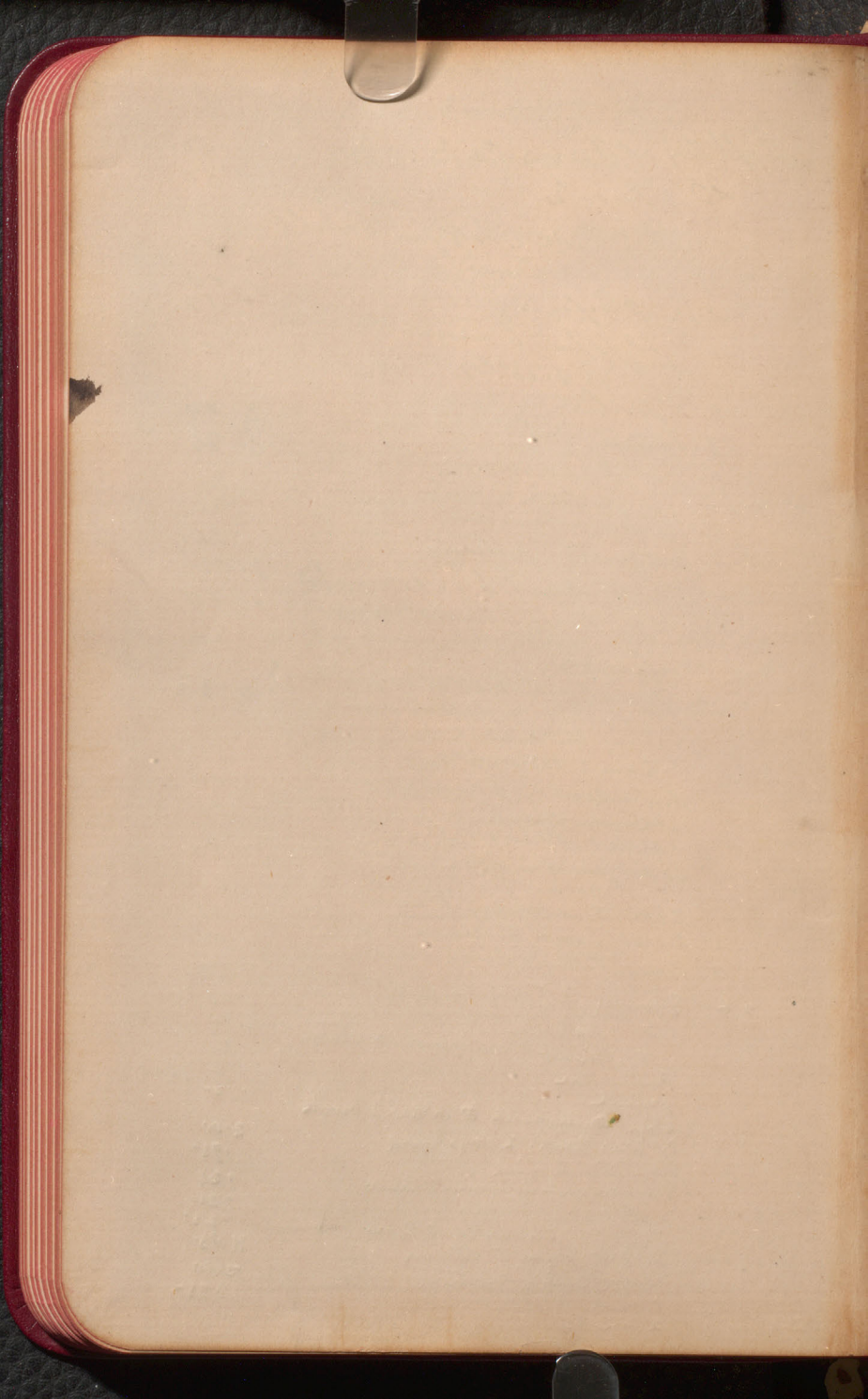
Oct. 19. Holiday. Thanksgiving. Got
office clearing up matters that have
accumulated.

Oct. 22. Sunday. Dined with Dr.
Nelson at his new house, Sandy Hill.

Aug 10.	Sleeper Ottawa Calgary	13.00
"	Cab. Ottawa	.25-
"	"	.50
10	1 meal on C P Ry	.75-
11	3 meals "	2.25-
12	" "	2.25-
13	Porter, Calgary.	1.50
15	Alberta hotel 1 1/2 day	4.50
15	Calgary Postage	.25-
15	1 meal. Red Deer	.50
16	Edmonton. 1 tin pail	.25-
"	" 2 demijohns	2.00
"	" Passages trip to Victoria	3.94
"	Fodging & board, fares & exp	
19	Accommodation on road	1.25-
20	Bed & meals (2) Edna	.75-
23	Delaware, bootman, on river. 1 day	2.00
24	Ferry	.20
"	Weapon	.50
"	8 photos by dredges	4.00
25	Hotel bill & hire of teams at Calgary Edmonton	18.50
"	1 meal Red Deer	.50
26.	Calgary, Alberta hotel	1.50
"	Sleeper to Banff	2.00
"	Porter	.25-
27	Hotel Banff. 1 day. rig. & 1 meal	6.75-
"	Porter	.25-
"	Sleeper Banff to Kamloops	1.50

Aug	27	Meal. C.P.R.	.75
Aug	29	Hotel Newlands	2.00
		" Sleeper to Sicamous	2.00
		" Porter	.25
Aug	30	Hotel, Vernon 29 & 30,	3.25
"	"	Horse & buggy 29 & 30	3.50
"	31	Sicamous. Meal & bed	1.00
"	"	Sleeper Sicamous to Glacier	.50
"	"	1 meal C. P. R.	.75
"	"	porter	.25
"	"	Glacier, Zelynam to Fraser at Victoria Alta.	1.10
Sept.	1	Glacier hotel 1 day	3.00
"	"	porter	.25
"	"	Sleeper to Calgary	1.00
"	"	porter	.25
"	"	1 meal	.75
"	2	telegram from Fraser, Vict. Alta	2.00
"	3	Hotel & buggy hire Calgary Sept 1-3	5.75
"	"	porter	.25
"	3	Meal, Station to Hotel & meal to Honeyville & return	1.50
"	5	Meal, Hotel. Sept 3-5	4.00
"	"	Bus to Station	.50
"	"	1 meal at Bullhead	.50
"	"	Furnis, supper	.50
"	6	" Bed & breakfast	1.00
"	"	1 Dinner	.50
"	"	Team, Team & drive to Furnis & back	4.00
"	7	Meal, Bus to Hotel	0.50
"	"	Portage	.25
"	"	stick, Kalvin wax	.10
"	"	Dumyokan for mineral water & boiling same.	2.00
"	"	Bus to Station	.50
"	8.	Lethbridge. Buggy & driver	1.50
"	9.	" " " " " " " "	4.25
"	"	" " " " " " " "	1.50
"	"	" " " " " " " "	.25
"	10	Med. Hat. Sleeper to Ottawa	13.00
"	"	C.P.R. 3 meals	2.25
"	"	" " "	2.25
"	12	" " "	2.25
"	"	" " "	.75
"	13	Porter	1.00
"	"	Cab - Ottawa	.50

Sept 24.	Ottawa Cot	.50
25	Montreal "	.50
?	(" " ser. half fare ticket & Truro)	8.25
		1.00
26.	sleeper	5.12
"	St John & Truro	2.25
"	3 meals	.50
"	porter	3.00
28	Truro. Hotel 1 1/2 day	3.94 ?
"	" Ticket Wolfville	.20
"	" porter	.40
"	Windsor Junction 1 meal	.25
Oct. 1.	Wolfville portage	7.00
" "	" Board \$4. Teams \$3	1.70
" "	" ticket & Parrsboro	.30
" "	Lunch	
" "	Parrsboro 2 meals (self & Amie) & teams	4.50
	(rig team & wharf & back a team to S. Feri Sts.)	
Oct. 4.	Five Islands. 2 days board	3.00
"	at Brodridges	.25
"	1 meal at Ness R	
"	Team from Five Isds & Lonsdalebury	7.50
"	3 1/2 m.	.52
"	Ticket Lonsdalebury & Truro	.41
" 5-	Ticket Truro & Union & return	1.00
" "	Team Valley & Truro	3.50
" 6	Truro. Hotel 1 3/4 day	.20
"	" portage	2.57
"	" Ticket Merigonish & return	.30
	Parlor car	.75
	1 meal	.75
" 8	Stage Merigonish & McArns brook	2.00
"	McArns brook. 2 days board	.75
"	Stage to Merigonish	.34
"	Merigonish - Delaplanche & Truro	.24
"	" 1 meal	.25
	Parlor car to Truro	11.75
	Ticket Truro to Ottawa	3.80
	sleeper Truro to Montreal	.75
	1 meal	
9	2 meals	



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