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Birkenshaw,

Little Metis,

July 30/92

Dear Aunt Kate,

I enclose two

letters received from you.

Serge arrived on Saturday

day, and gives us

good accounts of

your welfare, for which

we are thankful. I

am to return to Montreal

real on Thursday next,

and if as Serge in-

forms, you are going

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to Paris and Vienna,
I shall see that funds
for say \$500 shall be
at your disposal. Do
not however encroach
upon your self in the
way of the cholera.
Senge thinks you are
making a specialty of
skin diseases. If so,
I may say that there
is a trouble of this
kind, constitutional here.
ever I fancy rather

these cutaneous, which
troubles some of our Friends
Scabies by name, which would
deserve attention of practitioners
here. I regret very much
that you should seem
to dislike Medical Practice
so much; but you should
remember that every acute
Infection has its disagreeable
features, and though Medicine
has there it has great
counterbalancing merits.

Find every one, from College
Professors down to Scullery
Maids, full of the evil

and disadvantages of his
or her business; but this
is not a philosophical reason
to take of life. In any
event a medical man
is sure to have some
time to follow any
other pursuit he may
pursue, as a side issue
for his tastes or energies.
Most of them, at least
more or less close.

Mamma is at present
keeping a kind of gratulation
book here, and desires me
to say that she would have
written to you before now, but
for the purpose of visitors.
Ever yours affectionately
Mamma