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Dear Foster,

I date this from Toronto where I hope to part it, but we are now delayed some miles out of the city at a little place called Diggins Creek, some cars being off the track ahead. Hope we may get to Toronto in time to make connection with the western train as otherwise it will be necessary to stay over somewhere all Sunday.

I saw Mr Fleming in Ottawa on Thursday & he was kind enough to ask me to dine with him the same evening.

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arrangements for seasons work,
were soon made & the pack-
accounts & promises for now ten
telegraphed for. Houtzky, Campbell,
McLeod & myself are to go into
the northern country. It unfortunately
self & others were all together.
We will probably go by steamer from
Victoria to the mouth of the Skeena,
up that river in canoes to the Forks,
thence on foot about 50 miles across
the Babine Portage down Babine
Lake & to St. James on Stuart
Lake by canoe. Here we are to
meet three pack-trains each of
about 20 animals. Campbell &
McLeod will then probably go down
the Parsnip & Peace to Dawson in
canoes, while I will take the packs

through by the Prince Rupert Pass to the same point. From
here Cambie proposes returning to B.C. while McLeod & I
will divide up the County westward as best we can
to cover it. It is proposed to telegraph to Battleford
as to possibility of sending out a small cargo of
supplies &c to meet us. We will hear whether this
is to be done or not at Victoria & it will to some
extent govern the quantity of stuff which it will be
necessary for us to take.

As for letters &c Victoria will be my best address

till such time as I may afterwards mention.

Harvesty is going west by this train. If we are delayed
much longer I fear we may have to wait over at Forts
when Cambie & McLeod, with some of the B.C. members
will overtake us.

Love to mother & all at home
Yours affectionately
George