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My dear Walter,

I have not written
you a long time, not having
anything particular to
communicate, we took
leaves with me Friday last,
last, but it did not seem
easy for either of us to go
& we tried the following
Saturday. I am trying to
induce Florence to pay for
a visit for a day or two
but do not know whether
I shall succeed or not. She

Seems to think that the boys
 need constant looking after.
 From what W. ascertained of
 above. Last week I presume
 that there was no real reason
 for the telegraphic item about
 Father which appeared in the
 papers, but it set everyone here
 asking about him.

I got the witness with his vote
 in it, but do not think it
 practicable to keep liquor out
 of the Yukon district. Prohibition
 in the Territories formerly
 was given up ^{some} years ago, because
 it seemed to make matters
 worse instead of better. There

For practically ten all the liquor wanted
in the Yukon dist. under a permit system
for some years & things are better there than
in Alaska where there is supposed prohibition
without any attempt or possibility of enforcement.

I have a notification today that I have been
Elected an Honorary Fellow of the Anthropological
Institute, London, which I suppose should
be an item of news. Also I was given
today from Mrs Sadue, the founder, the first

flag used at Dawson City, being a large
one made off-air - a little hard to
know what to do with it!

Yours
Geoff.