

P.S. I have been  
in correspondence with  
Mr G. C. Anderson  
President of the  
Jan 21, & have seen  
him. He has helped  
me get some specimens  
for the exhibition, is the  
author of a pamphlet  
on B.C. & is  
Member of the  
Palaeozoic formation  
of the Colony.  
He lives at  
Saarich 20  
miles from  
Vancouver.

G.M.D

Victoria B.C.

Feb. 18. 1876

I had hoped to write long  
letters for this mail, but have  
been so busy all day, & being  
as well getting arrangements  
made for shipping certain  
exhibition articles, & the necessary  
papers & Correspondence completed,  
that I shall only be able to  
write an excuse, & must  
write more fully by next Friday's  
mail.  
I send addressed to you such

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account of the Grosbepper raid  
of 1874 as I have been able to make  
out, in the form of a paper which  
I hope may be accepted for publication  
in the Naturalist. Two things are  
however against its general interest,  
viz. 1. that it is so long after date.  
2. that much of the general information  
I have had to extract from my  
Report. In case it should be  
too long, I have marked in  
pencil passages which may be  
omitted without much loss.

If accepted, when in type please  
set 300 copies struck off at  
my expense to satisfy promises

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of circulars. I have sent out  
circulars over Mantoba & etc  
with but for last summer,  
with address envelopes to  
take them back to Montreal, where  
please keep them for me, envelopes  
& all, as the post works are  
often necessary in identification  
of places.

We are in a deplorable state  
here at present, the last steamer  
having failed, probably owing to  
snow blockade on the Railway, &  
bring any newspaper mail. Though  
letters come overland twice a  
week, we will have to wait

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late west steamer for the rest  
which will leave us a month  
without eastern news. We get a  
very small dose of telegraphic news  
daily when the wires happen to be  
working, but as they run goodness  
knows how many miles through  
uninhabited country, & are half the  
time hung up on the trees instead of  
regular posts they are much more  
often out of order than otherwise.  
The Gen. Surv. of Cal. has come on  
by express, charges paid at the  
other end.

Thanks to Anna for her last long  
letter of Jan 18. & love to all,

Your affectionate son  
George W. Dawson